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6 DRW INVESTMENTS, LLC )

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10 Examination under oath of DONALD R.  
11 WILSON, JR., given voluntarily and pursuant to  
12 the rules of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading  
13 Commission, reported by Mary Maslowski, a Certified  
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15 the County of Will and State of Illinois, at  
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1 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 1 was marked  
2 for identification, MM, prior to the  
3 commencement of the examination.)

4 DONALD R. WILSON, JR.,  
5 called as a witness herein, having been first duly  
6 sworn, was examined and testified as follows:

7 EXAMINATION

8 BY MR. ULLMAN:

9 Q Can you state your name for the record,  
10 please.

11 A Donald Ray Wilson, Junior.

12 Q And your business address?

13 A 540 West Madison.

14 Q Good morning. I'm Dan Ullman from  
15 the Enforcement Division of the CFTC. We just met.

16 MR. ULLMAN: Let's have counsel and other  
17 participants in the room identify themselves for  
18 the record, please.

19 MR. HELWIG: Sure. Ted Helwig from  
20 Katten Muchin Rosenman, LLP.

21 MS. LEVY: Pat Levy, general counsel  
22 for DRW.

23 MR. ARMOUR: Robert Armour, chief  
24 compliance officer for DRW.

1 MS. SIDDIQUI: Sophia Siddiqui from the  
2 Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

3 MR. ULLMAN: Thank you.

4 Q Before we get started, I want to go  
5 through a few ground rules to hopefully make  
6 this go as quickly as possible. The first is we  
7 have a court reporter here. Your testimony is being  
8 transcribed, so it's important that you answer  
9 orally. Do you understand that instruction?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Second of all, she cannot -- the court  
12 reporter cannot transcribe us talking over each  
13 other. So if you would, please wait until I finish  
14 my question and I'll wait until you finish your  
15 answer. Do you understand that instruction?

16 A Yes.

17 Q It's my job to give you a question  
18 that you can understand. If you don't understand  
19 it, please let me know. Will you do that if you  
20 don't understand a question I pose to you?

21 A Yes.

22 Q We can take breaks anytime you want.  
23 The only restriction I would request is that if  
24 there's a question pending, I would request that a

1 break doesn't happen at that point. Do you  
2 understand that instruction?

3 A Yes.

4 Q Please look at what's been marked as  
5 Exhibit 1.

6 A (Witness complies).

7 Q Have you seen this document before?

8 A Yes.

9 Q You understand that you're here today  
10 pursuant to a subpoena to give investigative  
11 testimony?

12 A Yes.

13 Q From time to time your counsel may  
14 object to questions. Unless he instructs you to not  
15 answer, you'll be expected to answer the question.  
16 Do you understand that instruction?

17 A Yes.

18 Q If you refuse to answer a question,  
19 you must explain why you refuse. Do you understand  
20 that instruction?

21 A Yes.

22 Q At the conclusion of testimony  
23 you'll be given the opportunity to make any further  
24 statement you wish regarding the subject matter of



1 this testimony. Do you understand that instruction?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Are you aware of any reason today that  
4 you cannot give full and complete answers in your  
5 testimony?

6 A No.

7 Q Are you taking any medication that would  
8 affect your ability to testify?

9 A No.

10 Q In the back of Exhibit 1, please look  
11 at it. About halfway through there's a document  
12 attached to it called Statement to Persons Providing  
13 Information about Themselves to the Commodity  
14 Futures Trading Commission.

15 A Yes.

16 Q Do you see that part of Exhibit 1?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Have you had a chance to review -- without  
19 any attorney/client conversations -- have you had an  
20 opportunity to review the Statement to Persons with  
21 counsel?

22 A Yes.

23 Q There's a lot of information, as I'm sure  
24 you can glean from the document, but two important

1 things I want to point out to you. One, this is an  
2 official federal investigation. Do you understand  
3 that?

4 A Yes.

5 Q And, second of all, it requires you to tell  
6 the truth. Do you understand that?

7 A Yes.

8 Q Let's start out by maybe the stupidest  
9 question I've ever asked. Are you employed?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Who is your employer?

12 A DRW Holdings, LLC.

13 Q And what is your position?

14 A I'm the CEO.

15 Q And how long have you been the CEO of  
16 DRW Holdings?

17 A Well, in one form or another, since 1992.

18 Q Is that when DRW Holdings started?

19 A That's when its predecessor started.

20 Q What was the name of the predecessor  
21 corporation to DRW Holdings, LLC?

22 A DRW Trading, Inc.

23 Q Does that corporation still exist?

24 A Yes.

1 Q Any other iterations of DRW Holdings, LLC?

2 A I think we might have had DRW Investments,  
3 LLC, before. I don't remember exactly.

4 Q Do you remember if DRW Investments, LLC,  
5 still exists as a corporate entity?

6 A It does, yes.

7 Q Are there any other iterations of DRW that  
8 you haven't listed?

9 A I mean, there are lots of other DRW related  
10 entities.

11 Q Do you know what the International  
12 Derivatives Clearing Group is?

13 A Yes.

14 Q Can you state for the record what it is.

15 A Well, the full name is -- well, you  
16 just said it, but I know it as IDCG and it is both  
17 a DCO as well as a DCM. I believe that the DCO has  
18 been purchased by LCH SwapClear, and I'm not sure  
19 what's happened to the DCM. I assume it's still  
20 owned by NASDAQ.

21 Q And just so the record's clear, what do you  
22 mean by DCO?

23 A The clearinghouse.

24 Q And what do you mean by DCM?

1           A     Essentially the futures exchange.

2           Q     Relative to the DCO, are you aware  
3     that the name of that specific corporate entity was  
4     International Derivatives Clearinghouse?

5           A     Sounds right.

6           Q     It's not a quiz. Just for purposes of  
7     clarity, I'm going to just refer to it generally as  
8     IDCG throughout this testimony. You'll understand  
9     that I'm meaning that collectively, both the DCO and  
10    the DCM?

11          A     Yes.

12          Q     What corporate -- DRW corporate entity  
13    interfaced with IDCH?

14          A     Well, trades that we did, that were  
15    cleared at IDCH were done through DRW Investments,  
16    LLC, which is a wholly owned subsidiary of  
17    DRW Holdings, LLC.

18          Q     Any other part of DRW, any other corporate  
19    entity of DRW interface with IDCH?

20          A     I don't believe so.

21          Q     For purposes of this testimony I'm  
22    going to refer to DRW Investments, LLC, as DRW. Do  
23    you understand that, sir?

24          A     Yes.

1 Q And you'll know what I mean if I say DRW?

2 A Yes.

3 Q What are your -- are you also the CEO of  
4 DRW Investments, LLC?

5 A Yes. Technically I'm the manager since  
6 they're LLCs, but yes.

7 Q What are your job duties as manager of DRW?

8 A To generally oversee the business.

9 Q And by "oversee business," what do you mean  
10 more specifically?

11 A I mean, you know, generally kind of set  
12 objectives and try to encourage people to do things,  
13 which -- you know, to do things which achieve our  
14 objectives.

15 Q How many employees work for DRW?

16 MR. HELWIG: And by that you want to focus  
17 on the LLC, the Investments, LLC?

18 MR. ULLMAN: Yeah. For clarity purposes,  
19 I'm going to call it DRW Investments. I think  
20 that will make it easier, as opposed to DRW.

21 Q How many employees are there specifically  
22 of DRW Investments?

23 A So technically I think there are none.

24 The employees are actually all housed at -- well,

1 not all of them, but most of them at DRW Holdings.

2 Q How many employees for DRW Holdings?

3 MR. HELWIG: Best estimate is fine.

4 A Yeah. I mean, Holdings, including all its  
5 subsidiaries, it's just over 500.

6 BY MR. ULLMAN:

7 Q And how many of those 500 employees do work  
8 relating to DRW Investments?

9 A I would say a majority.

10 Q Before you testified that you encourage  
11 employees to achieve objectives. Again, maybe  
12 a silly question, but what is DRW Investments'  
13 objective?

14 A Well, DRW is a proprietary trading firm.  
15 As such we provide liquidity in financial markets  
16 and look for trading opportunities to put on trades  
17 that we think have positive expected value. We use  
18 the firm's capital to trade. We don't have any  
19 outside investors or customers.

20 Q Were any of the DRW entities ever  
21 registered with the National Futures Association?

22 A Yes.

23 Q Which entity?

24 A You know, there's probably more than one.

1 I'm pretty sure that Investments was at one time,  
2 and may still be, but I'm not sure.

3 Q For the majority of the testimony  
4 I want to limit it to one or two things. The first  
5 is the time frame, okay? I am mostly interested in  
6 2010 to the end of 2011, okay? So if I don't offer  
7 any other type of time constraint, that's what I'm  
8 asking about, that time period. Do you understand  
9 that?

10 A Yes.

11 Q Second, I'm interested in DRW's trading  
12 on the IDCH, through IDCH listed products, okay?

13 A Yes.

14 Q So this next series of questions you  
15 can assume it's within that time frame and with the  
16 IDCH listed products. Do you understand that?

17 A Yes.

18 Q How many traders did DRW employ during  
19 that time frame that worked on IDCH listed products?

20 A Just a few.

21 Q Do you remember their names?

22 A Craig Silberberg, Brian Vander -- I don't  
23 know. Let's just call him Vander.

24 Q Brian Vander Luitgaren, does that sound

1 familiar?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Okay.

4 A Barry Mendeloff. I don't know of any --  
5 there may have been others involved, but those are  
6 the ones that I recall.

7 Q Do you remember their job titles or are  
8 any of those considered managers?

9 A Well, Craig Silberberg oversees them and,  
10 yeah, so he's more senior to those two.

11 Q And "those two" would be Vander Luitgaren  
12 and Mendeloff?

13 A Yes.

14 Q During this time period what was your role  
15 in trading conduct with Craig Silberberg?

16 A Related to the IDCH products?

17 Q Yes. Relative to the IDCH products  
18 during this time frame, did you have any oversight  
19 responsibilities for these three employees' trading  
20 on the IDCH?

21 A I mean, ultimately I have oversight over  
22 everything, and I was certainly involved and aware  
23 of their trading on IDCH.

24 MR. ULLMAN: Let's mark this as Exhibit 2,



1 please. Just one note about the exhibits.

2 We need to get all of them back at the end.

3 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 2 was

4 marked for identification, MM.)

5 Q I'm handing you what's been marked as  
6 Exhibit 2. On the bottom it's Bates labeled IDCG  
7 00014066. Take a second and look through it and  
8 I just have a few questions for you.

9 A (Witness complies).

10 Q Have you seen Exhibit 2 before?

11 A No.

12 Q If you could flip to page ending in 69.

13 I believe it's four pages in on the top.

14 A (Witness complies).

15 Q Now, at some point in 2010 did DRW  
16 establish open positions on IDCH listed products?

17 A Yes.

18 Q And is the name -- am I correct that  
19 the name of the instrument that DRW created open  
20 positions on was called the IDEX USD 3-month  
21 interest rate swap futures contract?

22 A Sounds right.

23 Q I'll represent to you that it is, and  
24 I'll refer to that as the 3-month contract. Do you

1 understand that?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Tell me your involvement in establishing  
4 these positions.

5 A Well, in the summer of 2010 I was  
6 working with the Eris Exchange to develop an  
7 interest rate swap futures contract. Now, at the  
8 time IDCG existed. We hadn't really spent much time  
9 looking at it. But as we delved into the challenges  
10 that come up when developing an interest rate swap  
11 futures contract that works in the way that Eris  
12 wanted it to work, we studied what IDCG had done  
13 and looked at the way that people were quoting the  
14 IDCG contracts. And we came to the conclusion that,  
15 you know, that at least we thought that there was  
16 positive expected value in paying fixed on IDCG  
17 contracts if we could, if we were able to near where  
18 the equivalent OTC swaps were trading. So we -- I  
19 worked with Craig Silberberg and Vander and Barry to  
20 construct a portfolio that was -- you know, in which  
21 we paid fixed on IDCG and then hedged it with other  
22 products.

23 Q A few questions based on that.

24 Is DRW or any DRW entity an owner of the Eris

1 Exchange?

2 A Yes.

3 Q And can you tell me the specific DRW entity  
4 that's an owner of the Eris Exchange?

5 A I don't recall.

6 Q And what percentage of the Eris Exchange  
7 is owned by DRW?

8 A I don't know. More than 25 percent I think  
9 but less than half.

10 Q And am I right that -- was DRW an original  
11 investor in the Eris Exchange?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And when was the Eris Exchange established?

14 A 2010.

15 Q 2010. Do you remember around what month?

16 A I don't. First half.

17 Q Before DRW established these open positions  
18 on it?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Am I correct that these open positions  
21 were, I believe the nomenclature is swapdropped?

22 A I don't recall.

23 Q Do you have any recollection about whether  
24 these were originally bilaterally negotiated?

1 A Oh, I see.

2 Q Yeah.

3 A Yeah, these were done -- I thought of  
4 them as similar to EFS transactions on ClearPort, so  
5 these were done using a similar construct.

6 Q And just so the record's clear, what's EFS?

7 A Exchange for swap or exchange of future  
8 for a swap.

9 Q Thank you. Did you have anything to  
10 do with the original negotiation of the swap before  
11 it was converted to these open future positions?

12 A Not really. I mean, I was involved  
13 in coming up with the overall trading strategy.  
14 I wasn't necessarily involved with every trade that  
15 was done.

16 Q Do you know who Marcus Katz is?

17 A Yes.

18 Q Who is he?

19 A He's a broker at -- or he was at the time  
20 a broker at NewEdge.

21 Q And what's NewEdge's relationship with DRW?

22 A NewEdge is one of our clearing firms.

23 Q And am I correct that during the  
24 relevant period, 2010 to 2011, that NewEdge was the

1 FCM for DRW's trades on the IDCH?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Did Marcus Katz help broker these  
4 original swap agreements that were converted into  
5 futures positions that we're referring to as the  
6 open IDCH positions?

7 A Yes, Marcus Katz was a significant promoter  
8 of IDCH contracts.

9 Q And I think you testified before that  
10 you were responsible for the overall IDCH strategy  
11 but you weren't involved in negotiations of each one  
12 of these swap agreements, is that correct?

13 A That's correct.

14 Q Who was the point person for DRW that was  
15 involved with negotiating?

16 A Barry and Vander were the traders who  
17 were involved in the negotiation of the individual  
18 trades.

19 Q During the relevant period did Silberberg  
20 report directly to you?

21 A I don't recall because he at one time  
22 was not a partner and then was promoted to partner.  
23 So -- and I don't remember exactly when that took  
24 place.

1 Q Do you know the year?

2 A Sometime around then, but I don't remember.

3 Q And what's the significance of becoming  
4 a partner in terms of reporting to you?

5 A I mean, the partners generally have  
6 a more direct, you know, direct line of reporting  
7 to me as opposed to nonpartners for the most part.  
8 I mean, there are a couple that report to me, but  
9 most of them report to one of the other partners.

10 Q During the relevant time period did Vander  
11 Luitgaren report to you?

12 A No.

13 Q Who did he report to?

14 A To Craig.

15 Q Oh, Craig. And what about Mendeloff?

16 A Same.

17 Q Before Craig was made partner, who did he  
18 report to?

19 A Kevin Kroeger.

20 Q How do you spell his name, please.

21 A K-r-o-e-g-e-r.

22 Q I believe you testified earlier -- and  
23 I don't want to put words in your mouth, but I want  
24 to make sure I'm clear on this point -- that during

1 the relevant period you were aware of the traders'  
2 activity on IDCH products, is that correct?

3 A I was generally aware of their activity.

4 Q And can you describe what their activity  
5 was in 2010 to 2011?

6 A Well, as I said earlier, they were  
7 attempting to pay fixed in IDCG contracts and hedge  
8 them with other products.

9 Q And let me see if I can understand this.  
10 We established that there were these open positions  
11 that DRW created in IDCH, is that correct?

12 A Yes.

13 Q And how were those hedged?

14 A Either with OTC swaps -- I think primarily  
15 with OTC swaps, you know. Perhaps also with futures  
16 products.

17 Q Do you know what types of futures products?

18 A I mean, interest rate futures products, so  
19 it could have been Eurodollars or Treasury futures.

20 Q During the relevant period are you  
21 aware that the -- I'll just call them the IDCH  
22 traders. Let's just back up for a second. When I  
23 talk about the IDCH traders, I'm referring to  
24 Luitgaren, Silberberg and Mendeloff, okay?

1           A     Okay.

2           Q     During the relevant period, were you  
3 aware of the IDCH traders putting up bids on IDCH  
4 listed contracts?

5           A     Yes.

6           Q     Tell me what you know about that.

7           A     Well, initially when we put the trades  
8 on we started off paying, you know, maybe a basis  
9 point higher yield than the equivalent OTC swaps  
10 were trading at the time. And eventually we, you  
11 know, tried to pay two basis points over and then  
12 we bid three basis points over. And we got bids --  
13 you know, I've forgotten exactly how many trades we  
14 did over the course of this, but I'm pretty sure all  
15 the trades were brokered by Marcus Katz.

16                     And so, you know, eventually we  
17 were bidding three, four, five basis points over  
18 because we thought that we had positive expected  
19 value in doing so. And nobody wanted to sell us  
20 more -- you know, to trade with us more at that  
21 level, yet the exchange settlement prices did not  
22 reflect the bids that we were showing through  
23 brokers, through Marcus Katz, even though the  
24 exchange was very well aware of our trading



1 activity and the fact that we were willing to pay  
2 higher yields than the corresponding OTC swap curve.

3 Now, I spent years standing in the  
4 Eurodollar option pit on the settlement committee  
5 and spent lots of time thinking about the process  
6 by which the exchange settles contracts, and it's  
7 my belief that contracts should be settled at prices  
8 that reflect the current bids and offers in the  
9 market in order to as best as possible reflect the  
10 current market values of the contracts.

11 IDCG was failing to do that. I had  
12 several discussions with senior management at IDCG  
13 about their failure to reflect what were clearly  
14 market prices and their failure to reflect what was  
15 clearly, you know, a divergent value between the  
16 IDCG contracts and similar duration OTC interest  
17 rate swaps. Initially IDCG told me that they  
18 needed to get permission from the CFTC and from the  
19 clearing members to change the settlement process  
20 in order to settle things at prices that reflected  
21 prices in the broker market. Now, that doesn't make  
22 any sense to me because obviously an exchange should  
23 be required to settle things at prices that reflect  
24 the current market price.

1                   Eventually the exchange said  
2     to us, well, why don't you just disseminate prices  
3     on our electronic platform because our rules are  
4     very clear that any prices that are disseminated  
5     on our electronic platform must be reflected in  
6     our settlement prices. The exchange also gave us  
7     information about what third-party vendors had  
8     written to their electronic platform to facilitate  
9     the process of us putting quotes up on the platform.

10                  Again, because I've spent many  
11     years thinking about settlement prices and processes  
12     and in order to avoid any indication or any, you  
13     know, suggestion that we were merely putting prices  
14     in on the close in order to influence settlement  
15     prices, we disseminated prices throughout the day  
16     in a variety of points on the IDCG curve. And, now,  
17     keep in mind this is a manual process so we had to  
18     manually adjust these prices. But, you know, we  
19     would kind of move them around as the market moved  
20     around. You know, if the market became really  
21     volatile, maybe we'd pull them down just because we  
22     couldn't keep up with the price changes. And then  
23     during certain points of the day we would actually  
24     input more points on the curve so that IDCG's swap

1 curve, settlement curve didn't have a bunch of  
2 weird kinks in it. So I was aware of all that and  
3 certainly involved in discussing with the traders  
4 how we were putting those prices in and moving them  
5 around.

6 Q A few threshold questions based on  
7 that response. I want to make sure I understand  
8 this properly. During the relevant period IDCH,  
9 there's actually two ways to get a futures position.  
10 One way would be this swapdrop process that I think  
11 you testified about before where there is a  
12 bilateral -- looks like a traditional vanilla swap  
13 that is novated and turned into two corresponding  
14 open futures positions where the clearinghouse  
15 stands in the middle. Do you agree that that's one  
16 way that you can --

17 A Yes.

18 Q The second way is sort of just traditional  
19 bids and offers on futures products that are listed  
20 every day by IDCH. Is that your understanding as  
21 well?

22 A Yes.

23 Q What people -- who did you speak with  
24 at IDCH about the daily settlement price that you

1 discussed before?

2 A Well, we were mostly speaking with Garry --  
3 I can't think of Garry's last name.

4 Q O'Connor?

5 A Right, Garry O'Connor. And some  
6 of the discussions Alan Sobba was involved in,  
7 but primarily Garry O'Connor.

8 Q And do you remember when these discussions  
9 occurred?

10 A Well, they started in late 2010 and  
11 may have continued into early 2011 but around that  
12 window.

13 Q And the bidding that you were describing  
14 before has to do with sort of the second category  
15 that we're talking about, these daily available  
16 futures contracts on IDCH, is that correct?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q And the daily settlement price that  
19 you described before was referring to on DRW's open  
20 positions, is that correct?

21 A Well, I wouldn't quite describe it  
22 that way. The exchange used the quotes on the  
23 screen to come up with their curve, and then they  
24 settled all of the aged contracts off of that curve.

1 So in an indirect manner, yes.

2 Q Understood. I understand the distinction,  
3 okay. In your interactions with the IDCH traders  
4 during this time period, did you tell them at what  
5 levels they should bid?

6 A I mean, we had general discussions  
7 about how much of a spread to the swap curve, to the  
8 OTC swap curve we were bidding.

9 Q And do you remember those general  
10 discussions?

11 A Generally.

12 Q Well, was there any specific formula  
13 about the number of basis points or timing of the  
14 bids?

15 A I mean, as we were doing these  
16 trades, we were, you know, trying to figure out  
17 how to model these contracts and value them at  
18 the same time. There's a lot of back and forth  
19 internally with the quants on, you know, how to  
20 value them, model them, hedge them. And the only  
21 thing that we agreed on internally was that IDCG  
22 contracts should trade at a higher yield because  
23 of the convexity bias and the lack of PAI.

24 But initially, you know, how

1 much the 10 year should be and how much the 30 year,  
2 you know, should the 10 year trade similar to a  
3 strip of Eurodollars or not or should it be lower  
4 or higher or should the 30 year be, you know, lower  
5 than a 10 year or higher than a 10 year, all of this  
6 stuff is going on. I mean, we're trying to figure  
7 it out.

8           So initially we were very, you know,  
9 started off bidding a basis point over, and then  
10 when nobody else wanted to trade with us we bid two  
11 basis points over. But we had a really -- a very,  
12 you know, very much a lack of clarity internally of  
13 what we thought they were worth and how to hedge  
14 them. So we were a little bit, you know, somewhat  
15 tentative about how we were going about it.

16       Q     Understood.

17       A     I was certainly involved in saying,  
18 you know, okay, you know, yeah, you know, fine,  
19 let's go up -- you know, I mean, we had general  
20 discussions. Okay, fine. Maybe we should go up to  
21 three basis points over today, you know.

22       Q     Did you review P&L on these open positions  
23 on a daily basis?

24       A     I mean, not necessarily daily but

1 I certainly had a sense of the portfolio we had  
2 on and how the portfolio moved with the market and  
3 that kind of stuff.

4 Q Let's talk about timing of the bids.  
5 I think you testified earlier that you instructed  
6 the IDCH traders to put up bids all day, is that  
7 correct?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Is it your understanding as you sit here  
10 today that their bids were put in all day?

11 A Yeah, as I said. But, you know, we  
12 pulled them down during volatile periods. But  
13 for the most part the bids were up there during  
14 the day. I mean, we were happy to trade at those  
15 prices. We had no reason to just put the prices in  
16 on the close. If somebody wanted to trade with us  
17 at 8 o'clock in the morning, that would have been  
18 great.

19 Q Are you aware of the time periods  
20 in which the daily settlement price was calculated  
21 during the relevant period?

22 A Yeah. I know that they had some kind  
23 of midday or, you know, morning pass where they  
24 computed a curve and then they did it again on the

1 close, which I believe was 2 o'clock Chicago time,  
2 but I don't remember the details.

3 Q Did you ever instruct the IDCH traders to  
4 put in bids during those daily settlement periods?

5 A Yes. As I just said, during those daily  
6 settlement periods we increased the granularity of  
7 the points on the curve on which we put in bids,  
8 again, essentially to aid the exchange in coming up  
9 with a curve that was reflective of fair value that  
10 didn't have weird kinks in it. If we hadn't done  
11 that, then they would have used the benchmark points  
12 where we had bids, and then where there were no bids  
13 they would have used the OTC swap curve. So it  
14 would have resulted in a very disjointed curve.

15 Q In terms of granularity, do you mean  
16 specificity of basis points over the OTC curve?

17 A No, I mean the tails. So, you know,  
18 we were -- let's say there's 2 year -- 2, 3, 5,  
19 7, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30-year tails listed and maybe  
20 during the day we would just have bids up in -- or  
21 prices up in, you know, a couple of those points,  
22 maybe 10 year and 30 year or maybe one more. But  
23 then during the settlement windows we would put in  
24 each of the points that IDCG used to create their



1 curves.

2 Q And those tended to be longer tails,  
3 am I correct on that?

4 A No. They were in-between tails, in between  
5 the points that we otherwise disseminated.

6 Q What about the volume of bids, did you  
7 ever have specific instructions to the IDCH traders  
8 about the amount of volume of bids during the daily  
9 settlement periods?

10 A I don't know what you mean by volume.

11 Q Okay. The number of bids that were being  
12 entered.

13 A So as I just said, obviously there  
14 were more bids by definition because we were putting  
15 more points on the curve in during those windows,  
16 again, to prevent there being a disjointed curve.

17 Q Okay.

18 A So if by that you mean volume, then yes,  
19 that would be greater volume.

20 Q Let me tell you why I'm asking it in  
21 that way. From our -- you know, just take a typical  
22 week in February. There are time periods in which  
23 DRW has no bids active. Then sometimes on certain  
24 days, during especially the afternoon settlement

1 period, there is a precipitous increase in the  
2 number of bids. And as you described -- and I call  
3 them tenors, but perhaps that's the wrong word in  
4 terms of the tails so the diversity of it is longer.  
5 And I just want to make sure that I understand that  
6 that is something you directed.

7 A That's not what I said. My directions  
8 were to maintain bids and offers throughout the day  
9 and to make sure that we had additional points on  
10 the curve during the relevant settlement periods.

11 Q I appreciate that. I'm not trying  
12 to put words in your mouth. I just want to make  
13 sure I understand it, okay? Did you ever direct  
14 the IDCH traders to put on additional bids during  
15 the afternoon daily settlement period?

16 A No.

17 Q What about in terms of the diversity  
18 of tails, did you ever tell the IDCH traders to put  
19 on bids on a greater variety of tails --

20 A Yeah. As I just said, that is what  
21 I directed them to do. In one of our letters to  
22 the CFTC, we actually explained what would happen  
23 graphically -- and you probably saw the graphs -- if  
24 we didn't insert the additional points on the curve.

1 Q Understood.

2 A And just to emphasize that, the bids  
3 and offers that we had on the screen during the  
4 settlement period were prices that we would have  
5 been happy to trade at any time during the day  
6 and, in fact, were represented in the broker market  
7 and for the most part were also up on the screen  
8 frequently during the day, as I said, unless, you  
9 know, the market was volatile. I mean, I suppose  
10 it's possible that at times they didn't put the  
11 stuff up during the day, but I know for a fact that  
12 we had bids and offers up routinely. And as I said,  
13 in any case, we would have been happy to trade at  
14 those prices at any time.

15 Q Understood. Did you ever get a consummated  
16 trade on IDCH on these bids?

17 A On the screen?

18 Q Sure.

19 A I don't remember if anybody ever traded  
20 with us on the screen.

21 Q What do you mean by "on the screen"?

22 A Well, we were submitting these bids  
23 electronically.

24 Q And that started in January of 2011?

1           A     That is correct.

2           Q     What about beforehand when you were  
3     using a voice broker I take it from about maybe  
4     August 2010 to December 2010, is that --

5           A     Well, we were still using the voice broker  
6     after that.

7           Q     Oh, really?

8           A     We were still, you know -- we still let  
9     the voice broker know that we were willing to trade  
10    at those prices, essentially the same prices that we  
11    were putting up on the screen.

12          Q     Did DRW ever put on offers on the IDCH  
13    listed contract?

14          A     Yeah, we had two-sided prices up at times.

15          Q     Do you remember when those times were?

16          A     I don't. I don't know.

17          Q     Do you know if it were after DRW started  
18    using electronic bids in January 2011?

19          A     Yeah. We certainly weren't giving orders  
20    to voice brokers for offers, but on the screen at  
21    times we had two-sided prices up, I believe.

22                MR. ULLMAN: Go off the record for one  
23    second.

24                       (Discussion off the record.)

1 (Whereupon a recess was taken from  
2 10:52 a.m., to 11 a.m., after which  
3 the following proceedings were had:)

4 MR. ULLMAN: Let's get back on the record.

5 Q Just a few followups from the last  
6 section we had. Can you explain to me what positive  
7 expected value means?

8 A Positive expected value means that  
9 more than -- you know, that I expect to make money  
10 more often than not.

11 Q I read before, and I think you've  
12 mentioned it before in your testimony, that for  
13 a time you were actually in the pit trading, is that  
14 correct?

15 A Yes.

16 Q What did you trade?

17 A Eurodollar options.

18 Q And what years were those?

19 A Well, from 1989 -- October of '89  
20 I went in the Eurodollar option pit, and I was  
21 there for the most part through 2005. I spent a  
22 couple years in London and, you know, I spent some  
23 of the time trading other products, but for the most  
24 part that's where I was.

1           Q     And I want to go back to your  
2     testimony about voice brokers versus electronic  
3     brokers to make sure I understand something. And,  
4     again, I'm never trying to put words in your mouth.  
5     I just want to make sure I understand this.

6                     Is it your testimony that after --  
7     and we have documents we'll show you, but let's just  
8     do it from memory first -- after DRW started putting  
9     bids on electronically in January 2011 or so, they  
10    were still putting on voice brokers for the IDCH  
11    products?

12          A     Yes.

13          Q     And is there any advantage to using  
14    the voice broker versus an electronic broker in  
15    terms of trying to find someone to hit your bid?

16          A     Well, Marcus Katz, as I said, was very  
17    excited about IDCG contracts. And so he -- long  
18    before we started trading on IDCG he would call us  
19    up and say, hey, guys, let's trade some IDCG, come  
20    on, guys, let's trade some IDCG, how about now,  
21    are you ready to trade IDCG? And so, you know,  
22    he continued to call us and say, hey, what do you  
23    want to do on IDCG.

24                     So he -- I mean, and from our

1 perspective, I mean, other than the fact that, yeah,  
2 we're going to pay brokerage if we trade through him  
3 and we're not going to pay for brokerage if we trade  
4 on the screen, other than that, I mean, you know,  
5 we're indifferent. So, I mean, if we like the  
6 trade, you know, we don't really care how we trade.

7 Q And you may not know this. Do you know why  
8 Marcus Katz was so interested in IDCG?

9 A I mean, in general, you know, he --  
10 I think that he thought that this IDCG could be,  
11 you know, one of the venues that kind of changes  
12 the market structure in traditional OTC swaps and  
13 creates an opportunity for NewEdge to enter that  
14 market.

15 Q On to convexity, everyone's favorite  
16 topic. Just a little bit of background. We've read  
17 your patent application. I have read the different  
18 iterations of this white paper that I think some  
19 of the employees of DRW drafted. We'll have some  
20 specific questions, but I want to talk about it  
21 generally. I realize you're an expert on this, so  
22 some of these questions may seem -- they're not  
23 intended to be patronizing. They're actual basic  
24 questions because -- and I'm happy to tell you why

1 I'm asking them.

2 The nomenclature both from your  
3 patent application to some parts of the white  
4 papers -- and I understand that there are many  
5 iterations of it. I've had to read virtually every  
6 one -- and the academic papers sometimes commingle  
7 and use a nomenclature of convexity bias, sometimes  
8 convexity effect. Oftentimes they mean the same  
9 thing, sometimes they don't. So I want to make sure  
10 just the record's very clear so I can understand  
11 your thinking in the emails I've seen about looking  
12 at convexity bias, okay?

13 A Okay.

14 Q So, again, I don't want you to perceive  
15 these questions as being, you know -- they are not  
16 patronizing. I'm trying to just create the record  
17 to make sure I understand what this actually means,  
18 okay?

19 A Okay.

20 Q I thought the best way to start with the  
21 convexity is to start to talk about the Eurodollar  
22 futures contract. My understanding is that contract  
23 is highly liquid, would you agree with that?

24 A Yes.



1 Q And that the price of that contract and  
2 interest rates are highly correlated?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And also my understanding is -- I  
5 think this comes from your patent, maybe not --  
6 that there's an inverted relationship when the daily  
7 settlement price rises, the implied interest rate  
8 falls, is that correct?

9 A That's correct.

10 Q And the long futures position will  
11 increase in value when the daily settlement price  
12 rises and the implied interest rate decreases,  
13 is that correct?

14 A That's correct.

15 Q In that last situation I described,  
16 the long would receive variation margin, is that  
17 correct?

18 A That's correct.

19 Q And then because it's a futures contract,  
20 the long could invest those funds any way it wants,  
21 is that correct?

22 A That's correct.

23 Q Conversely, the short increases in  
24 value when the daily settlement price falls and

1 the implied interest rate increases, is that  
2 correct?

3 A That's correct.

4 Q And when short receives variation margin,  
5 it can invest it as well?

6 A That's right.

7 Q Okay. Comparing those -- or maybe  
8 perhaps contrasting is the right word -- comparing  
9 those two dynamics or that dynamic, is it correct  
10 that the short will always generate more profits  
11 than the long even if the price movements of the  
12 contract is equally dispersed?

13 A That's not how I would describe it.

14 Q How would you describe it?

15 A I mean, in fact, I would disagree with  
16 the statement that, you know, for an equal number  
17 of basis point moves -- of movement up or down the  
18 short and long are going to make exactly the same  
19 amount of money. The difference is that --  
20 especially for, you know -- and this becomes  
21 material for longer-dated futures contracts, the  
22 short -- somebody who has a short position in the  
23 Eurodollar futures contract, let's say, the yields  
24 rise 20 basis points. He then gets 20 basis points

1 of variation margin and he can take that money as  
2 you said and invest that money.

3 Now, he could elect to invest  
4 that money in a checking account in which case  
5 the 20-basis point rise in a Eurodollar futures  
6 contract that, let's say, matures in 10 years  
7 probably wouldn't really benefit him. But he  
8 could also buy a zero coupon bond that matches the  
9 expiration date of the Eurodollar futures contract  
10 under the assumption that if the market just doesn't  
11 move again for the next 10 years, then he can  
12 essentially earn interest or in the accretion of  
13 that zero coupon bond to par over that period, okay?

14 So if he buys that zero coupon  
15 bond after the interest rates have gone up 20 basis  
16 points, presumably he is going to be buying it at a  
17 higher yield or a lower price. If then the next day  
18 interest rates go back down, so Eurodollar futures  
19 go back up, and now he -- his clearinghouse calls  
20 him up and says, hey, you need to send us the  
21 20 basis points back, then he can take a zero coupon  
22 bond and go and sell it. Presumably the yield of  
23 that zero coupon bond has declined, in other words,  
24 the price has risen. So he can sell that zero

1 coupon bond for a profit.

2           So he can -- so he's getting his  
3 20 basis points back, plus he's getting a little  
4 extra back because he just sold the zero coupon  
5 bond at a price that's slightly more favorable than  
6 he bought it for before. So then he takes the  
7 20 basis points, sends it back to the clearing firm  
8 and he has a little bit of extra profit. Of course,  
9 the flipside of that, the person who was long in the  
10 Eurodollar futures contract has essentially the  
11 opposite problem.

12           Now, they can take the risk  
13 and borrow overnight instead of, you know, borrowing  
14 via a longer duration instrument, but they're  
15 essentially taking risk by doing that. And so if  
16 they want to have a truly kind of arbitrage-free  
17 portfolio, they need to extend out to a duration  
18 that matches the futures contract and so they're  
19 going to have that incremental little bit of loss.

20           Q     And how would you describe that sort  
21 of inherent advantage that the short has that you  
22 just described?

23           A     Well, the cumulative expected  
24 effect of those -- kind of that investment and

1 reinvestment or -- of variation margin results in  
2 what is now known in the market as the convexity  
3 bias in the Eurodollar futures curve.

4 Q Okay.

5 A There's a paper that's written by Galen  
6 Burghardt in like 1994 that highlights this.

7 Q Always cite it. That's the one --

8 A Probably the first one that wrote about it.

9 Q And just so I'm clear, you said results in  
10 the convexity bias. What do you mean by "result"?  
11 What is the result that you're referring to?

12 A Well, what happens is that market  
13 prices Eurodollar futures at a higher yield than  
14 a corresponding OTC interest rate swap. Now, that  
15 wasn't always the case. In fact, in the early '90s,  
16 very early '90s, late '80s, the Eurodollar curve was  
17 pretty much right on top of the interest rate swap  
18 curve because people didn't really differentiate  
19 and people hadn't really thought about the effect  
20 of these cash flows.

21 And some of the American banks  
22 actually, you know, started to kind of come up  
23 with a theory that Eurodollar futures should trade  
24 at a higher yield and they put on trades selling

1 Eurodollar futures. There are actually French  
2 banks that took the other side of the trade and,  
3 you know, eventually, you know, that article was  
4 published and then people kind of had a framework  
5 for thinking about it and discussing it.

6 But, you know, the extent to  
7 which the amount of convexity bias, I mean, you  
8 don't really know how much to put in because it all  
9 depends on the future volatility of the market.

10 Q I'm going to try to summarize what you  
11 just said.

12 MR. ULLMAN: Actually, can you read that  
13 back, please.

14 (Whereupon the portion of the record  
15 was read as requested.)

16 Q Is it fair to say that the result of  
17 the convexity bias that you described is based on  
18 market knowledge of sort of this inherent disparity  
19 that you described earlier in your testimony?

20 A I mean, I guess you could say that. I  
21 think of it just as supply and demand.

22 Q We'll leave futures for a minute. Now  
23 I want to go to vanilla, uncleared vanilla interest  
24 rate swaps and talk about the same issue. Would you

1 agree that uncleared interest rate swaps are highly  
2 correlated to interest rates?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And that correlation is positive?

5 A Sure.

6 Q And tell me what your understanding is  
7 about how collateral flows between parties that  
8 are on other sides of OTC vanilla swaps -- vanilla  
9 interest rate swaps?

10 A Assuming that two counterparties have,  
11 let's say, a zero threshold in place to simplify  
12 matters, then -- and they have an open position on  
13 and the position goes in favor of Counterparty A  
14 for, let's say, a million dollars, then  
15 Counterparty B sends collateral to Counterparty A.  
16 Generally --

17 MR. ULLMAN: If we can go off the record  
18 for a second. Sorry.

19 (Discussion off the record.)

20 A Generally the ISDA specifies that  
21 the collateral can be in the form of either cash  
22 or securities. If the collateral is in the form  
23 of cash, it generally specifies an interest rate  
24 at which Counterparty A will pay interest to

1 Counterparty B. If it's in the form of securities,  
2 let's say, Treasuries, then Counterparty B still has  
3 the rights to any coupons or, you know, accruals or  
4 whatever on those securities.

5 Q Understood. Does the collateral that's  
6 exchanged -- does the possession of the collateral  
7 actually change in that transaction that you just  
8 described?

9 A No.

10 Q And I take it --

11 A The ownership doesn't. The possession may  
12 change, but the ownership doesn't change.

13 Q Understood. Does the party posting  
14 collateral receive interest on the collateral?

15 A Yes. As I said, if Party B sends  
16 over cash, then Party A pays interest on that cash,  
17 not -- if it's securities, then no.

18 Q But with cash, yes?

19 A Yes.

20 Q Summary question for you. My read, the  
21 swaps are distinct from futures because in futures  
22 the party receiving variation margin owns the margin  
23 and interest generated; but in swaps, again,  
24 assuming cash is being posted, the party posting



1 collateral still owns that collateral and any earned  
2 interest, is that correct?

3 A I agree with your statement if you modify  
4 it slightly.

5 Q Okay. How so?

6 A The important differentiator is uncleared  
7 swaps. If you took a cleared swap, though, the cash  
8 flows are the same as for a futures contract.

9 Q You predicted my next series  
10 of questions. So am I correct that uncleared OTC  
11 interest rate swaps do not have convexity bias?

12 A That's correct.

13 Q Same question having to do with OTC  
14 swaps, uncleared OTC swaps. Can you think of any  
15 other sort of additional benefit that is generated  
16 from the posting of collateral versus in perhaps  
17 a futures contract?

18 A I'm not sure what you mean by that.

19 Q So that's the answer I'm looking for.  
20 To summarize -- I want to make sure I understand  
21 this -- do we agree with each other that futures  
22 contracts that are highly correlated to interest  
23 rates have convexity bias? Do you agree with that  
24 statement?

1           A     I think that it's not unreasonable  
2     for the market to price a convexity bias in those  
3     contracts, but the convexity bias doesn't just  
4     exist. I mean, somebody has to -- you know,  
5     the market has to put it there.

6           Q     Understood. And uncleared OTC interest  
7     rate swaps do not have a convexity bias?

8           A     I mean, by definition -- because a  
9     convexity bias is the difference between the two.

10          Q     Understood.

11          A     -- that's the case.

12          Q     Just making sure I understand. Got it.  
13     I think you testified earlier that cleared interest  
14     rate swaps do not have a convexity bias, is that  
15     correct?

16          A     Cleared interest rate swaps -- I don't have  
17     enough -- that's not a correct statement.

18          Q     That's what I wanted to ask you about  
19     because I thought that's what you testified to. I  
20     could be wrong. My understanding is that bilateral  
21     cleared swaps may or may not have convexity bias,  
22     is that correct?

23          A     That's right.

24          Q     And it all depends on how variation margin

1 is treated, is that correct?

2 A That's correct.

3 Q So if a cleared swap treats variation  
4 margin like the way an uncleared swap deals with  
5 collateral, the one posting collateral variation  
6 margin earns interest on that collateral -- let me  
7 rephrase. Do you know what LCH.Clearnet is?

8 A Yes.

9 Q Are you familiar with how they deal with  
10 cleared interest rate swaps?

11 A Yes.

12 Q How do they do that?

13 A If a party has received variation margin,  
14 then their account is debited interest every night  
15 at a rate equal to the benchmark interest rate for  
16 that currency. So in the case of dollars, it's  
17 debited at OIS, and for a party that has paid out  
18 variation margin they receive interest at the same  
19 rate.

20 Q And based on your earlier testimony,  
21 am I correct that you believe that there would not  
22 be a convexity bias for these LCH.Clearnet swaps?

23 A That's correct.

24 Q Do you know what price alignment interest

1 is?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Can you explain for the record what it is?

4 A That's the interest which is paid pursuant  
5 to the methodology that I just described.

6 Q In your mind as you sit here today,  
7 do you understand a distinction between convexity  
8 bias and the convexity effect?

9 A No.

10 Q Going back to our relevant period  
11 of 2010-2011 and going back to the IDCH or IDCG  
12 contracts, what is your -- do you believe that those  
13 contracts had convexity bias?

14 A Well, as I said earlier, we believe  
15 that by paying fixed on IDCG contracts, that in  
16 hedging them with OTC swaps, that we would create  
17 a portfolio that had positive expected value. And,  
18 yes, that's driven by the lack of a PAI adjustment  
19 or some other mechanism on IDCG.

20 Q Can you describe other types of adjustment  
21 mechanisms other than PAI?

22 A Well, I mean, the other way of adjusting  
23 a futures contract is the solution that I came up  
24 with working with my head of quantitative research,

1 and that is to embed in the terminal settlement  
2 value of the futures contract an adjustment that  
3 reflects essentially the cumulative effect of what  
4 the PAI payments would have been.

5 Q And, I'm sorry, I guess I missed -- who is  
6 the head of your -- is it quantitative --

7 A Yeah, Yuhua Yu.

8 Q Is that a man or a woman?

9 A A woman.

10 Q And what's her position again? I'm sorry.

11 A Head of quantitative research.

12 Q And was she the head of quantitative  
13 research in 2010 through 2011?

14 A Yes.

15 Q Do you know whether generally Eurodollar  
16 futures trade at higher yields than corresponding  
17 uncleared forward-rate agreements?

18 A Yes, they do.

19 Q And sometimes forward-rate agreements are  
20 referred to as FRAs, is that correct?

21 A That's correct.

22 Q And do you know why that is the case?

23 A For the same reason.

24 Q And what reason would that be, just so the

1 record's clear?

2 A The difference in the cash flows.

3 Q And you may have testified to this  
4 before, but as you can imagine, this is quite  
5 complicated and I want to make sure I understand  
6 it. In your opinion does convexity bias become more  
7 pronounced the longer the time to the futures  
8 maturity date?

9 A Well, I mean, that actually depends  
10 on the correlation term structure as well as the  
11 volatility term structure. Now, generally it does  
12 because of just the greater number of days on which  
13 you could have these cash flow movements. However,  
14 if the correlation term structure, you know, were  
15 downward sloping or the volatility term structure  
16 were downward sloping, the convexity bias wouldn't  
17 necessarily go up over time.

18 MR. ULLMAN: Why don't we take five  
19 minutes. I'm close to finishing up this  
20 section. Is that okay?

21 MR. HELWIG: Okay.  
22  
23  
24

1 (Whereupon a recess was taken from  
2 11:30 a.m., to 11:40 a.m., after  
3 which the following proceedings were  
4 had:)

5 MR. ULLMAN: We're back on.

6 Q I have a few kind of followup  
7 questions on cleared interest rate swaps. These  
8 may be summary. And if I misspeak, I know you'll  
9 tell me. And I want to talk about convexity bias  
10 again and how it relates to cleared interest rate  
11 swaps.

12 Am I correct that if a cleared  
13 interest rate swap treats variation margin similarly  
14 to an uncleared OTC swap, there should be no  
15 convexity effect -- and I think you maybe even  
16 testified to this -- by definition there would be  
17 no convexity bias in the first place?

18 A That's right.

19 Q In other words, when there's no  
20 convexity bias, then the longs don't have any  
21 reason to negotiate a lower rate with the shorts.  
22 Do you agree with that?

23 A That's not how I think about it at all.

24 Q Can you tell me how you think about it?

1           A     Maybe I should just take a step back  
2     now and -- I mean, this, you know, maybe appears  
3     very obvious to you in retrospect of how to price  
4     these contracts after reading our white paper and  
5     all that.

6           Q     (Shaking head).

7           A     I assure you that at the time that we  
8     were trying to figure this out we had extensive  
9     debates internally about whether in fact there  
10    should be a convexity bias on IDCG or not. And,  
11    you know, I remember specifically one of our senior  
12    traders -- none of the ones that we've talked about  
13    today -- but a trader who ran the swap desk at B of  
14    A was really convinced that there should be -- that  
15    the IDCG contract should trade right on top of the  
16    OTC swap curve and that there should be no bias.

17                   And, you know, we had some pretty  
18    extensive discussions about, you know, whether --  
19    you know, and then I was pretty convinced that there  
20    should be some kind of a pricing differential and  
21    the quants were quite convinced initially that the  
22    extent of the differential should be much smaller  
23    than the Eurodollar strip. So lots of, you know --  
24    internally when we're thinking about this stuff and



1 we're considering whether or not to put on  
2 a position, you know, none of this was at all  
3 clear to anybody.

4 Q Understood. Was that because the market  
5 was new or because it had little liquidity?

6 A No.

7 Q No.

8 A It's just because a product like this  
9 had never existed before and it's a new product,  
10 you know. The reason for the convexity bias is,  
11 you know, even very experienced swap traders don't  
12 necessarily think about it all the time and --  
13 so, yes, because it's a new thing, I mean, there's  
14 uncertainty -- anytime a new thing is created,  
15 there's uncertainty in how to price it. Just like  
16 when Eurodollars were launched, there was no  
17 convexity bias in Eurodollars because people didn't  
18 really think about it.

19 Q Let's go back. A few more summary  
20 questions, and these are more sort of abstract  
21 questions. I'm not asking you directly in terms of  
22 IDCH or in terms of DRW's internal -- I understand  
23 about those internal communications, but these are  
24 sort of -- these aren't trick questions. I'm just

1     trying to understand this abstractly to make  
2     sure I understand.

3                     But is there a way that -- I think  
4     you testified before, tell me if I'm wrong, that a  
5     cleared interest rate swap could have the convexity  
6     effect based on how it treats variation margin,  
7     is that -- am I correct on that?

8             A     Yes. If SwapClear did not have PAI,  
9     then interest rate swaps cleared at SwapClear  
10    I would expect would trade at higher yields than  
11    equivalent uncleared swaps. You know, there was  
12    also debate in the market at the time. Some  
13    back-office people at large institutions felt  
14    that PAI was an unnecessary complication and that,  
15    in fact, it would be better even on venues like  
16    SwapClear not to have PAI.

17            Q     And was that ever IDCG's position?

18            A     Well, obviously. They launched a contract  
19    without PAI.

20            Q     But I guess the specific -- what  
21    you just testified to, that there was some debate  
22    that it makes it too complicated, was that ever  
23    articulated to you?

24            A     No.

1           Q     Do you know if in negotiating cleared  
2     interest rate swaps and this acknowledgment, at  
3     least the potential of the convexity effect, whether  
4     that enters into negotiation from the fixed side?

5           A     When you negotiate any financial  
6     instrument, you negotiate the terms and the price.  
7     There's no discussion of, oh, let's add on five  
8     basis points for convexity bias.

9           Q     No, of course. But, I mean, underlying  
10    those negotiations about price, in your experience  
11    do longs take into account potential of convexity  
12    effect?

13          A     As I said, in Eurodollar futures,  
14    generally Eurodollar futures trade at higher yields  
15    than corresponding OTC swaps. So I suppose the  
16    market takes it into account, although as I also  
17    said, that hasn't always been the case.

18          Q     Thank you. Let's move on to implied  
19    forward rates. It's my understanding that OTC swap  
20    traders may take implied interest rates generated  
21    by the Eurodollar futures contract and use them as  
22    a proxy for forward rates to create a zero coupon  
23    discount curve, is that your understanding?

24          A     I mean, you may need to do some

1 adjustment for convexity bias but, yes, you can use  
2 them as a tool in generating a forward curve.

3 Q And I apologize because this is  
4 a simple question, but how would you take into  
5 account convexity bias in doing that?

6 A I mean, you could come up with an estimate  
7 of the bias in the market by comparing Eurodollar  
8 futures with equivalent OTC swaps or you could use  
9 some kind of a pricing model, you know, which has  
10 assumptions about volatility and correlation, and  
11 you would then adjust the yield of the Eurodollar  
12 futures slightly in order to take that into account.

13 Q Understood. Let's go back specifically to  
14 the IDCH open positions, and I think you testified  
15 earlier who -- or let me ask again.

16 In terms of negotiating the  
17 swap agreements that were swapdropped and turned  
18 into open futures positions, who were the lead  
19 negotiators for DRW?

20 A I think I said before, but Barry  
21 and Vander were the two primary traders who were  
22 involved in that process.

23 Q And they -- I take it from your previous  
24 testimony they were interfacing with Marcus Katz on

1 that?

2 A That's correct.

3 Q Do you know whether Barry and Vander  
4 took into account convexity bias when they were  
5 negotiating the fixed rate that DRW was paying on  
6 these interest rates?

7 A I mean, this is kind of a circular thing --

8 Q Okay.

9 A -- because convexity bias essentially  
10 is something that is -- you can see in the market  
11 in looking at the prices of the instruments that are  
12 traded. So if you trade two instruments at the same  
13 yield and -- then there is no convexity bias.

14 Q I guess what I'm saying is before  
15 when you were talking about the -- I'm sorry. Did  
16 I interrupt you?

17 A No. Go ahead.

18 Q Before you were saying there was an  
19 internal debate in DRW about the convexity bias on  
20 the IDCH contracts, correct?

21 A That's right.

22 Q And I think you said before that  
23 you talked to someone who was the head trader at  
24 Bank of America internally and your quants were

1     having discussions about whether there should be  
2     an effect at all and, frankly, what that effect is,  
3     is that right?

4           A     That's correct.

5           Q     And I think you testified earlier that that  
6     was made difficult because this was a new product on  
7     a new exchange, is that correct?

8           A     That's right.

9           Q     So what I'm trying to figure out  
10    is in August and September of 2010 DRW enters  
11    into these swapdrop agreements in terms of open  
12    futures positions. Clearly they're negotiating  
13    their counterparties that are -- I mean, Marcus  
14    Katz is bringing them together.

15                   What I'm trying to figure out  
16    is do you know -- you may not know -- but do  
17    you know whether there was some type of convexity  
18    bias included in DRW's negotiations on these open  
19    positions?

20           A     I mean, with all due respect, that question  
21    doesn't make sense.

22           Q     Okay.

23           A     Of course, you know, as I said earlier,  
24    we believed that we had positive expected value in

1     paying fixed on IDCG because we believed, you know,  
2     and we came to the conclusion -- and really I came  
3     to the conclusion -- you know, as a result of all  
4     the discussions that we had internally that, in  
5     fact, you know, there was positive expected value  
6     in paying fixed on IDCG if we could do so close  
7     to where the equivalent OTC swap rate was trading.  
8     So if we paid a basis point over, then you could say  
9     that we paid one basis point of convexity bias.

10                 Now, obviously whoever took the  
11     other side of that trade looked at that and said  
12     there shouldn't be any convexity bias here. These  
13     guys are morons. A basis point, ha, two basis  
14     points, ha, free money. So they thought they had  
15     positive expected value, we thought we had positive  
16     expected value. That's generally the way that  
17     markets work. Two market participants -- I mean,  
18     assuming both market participants are merely in  
19     the business of putting on positions to, you know,  
20     collect positive expected value, which obviously is  
21     not always the case, maybe somebody's a hedger, but  
22     in this case both market participants were putting  
23     on trades because they thought they had positive  
24     expected value.

1                   We were not trading with  
2                   a hedger. We were trading with somebody else who  
3                   also thought, hey, these guys are paying too high a  
4                   yield for these things. Free money, ha, let's take  
5                   their money. And the amount of yield differential  
6                   that we paid compared to the OTC swap you could  
7                   describe as convexity bias or you could describe it  
8                   as what they thought at the time was just somebody  
9                   being really dumb and giving up edge.

10           Q     Can you explain what the net present value  
11           effect is?

12           A     Yeah. The net present value effect,  
13           or as we coined it, the NPV effect, is an effect  
14           that takes place even in products which are not  
15           correlated with interest rates. So, for instance,  
16           the example that we used when talking about this  
17           I believe was natural gas.

18           Q     That's correct.

19           A     Where there's no correlation with  
20           interest rates. And if you enter into a 10-year  
21           OTC interest rate -- or natural gas swap, there's  
22           a difference between that and a cleared interest  
23           rate -- and a cleared natural gas swap because  
24           of the difference in the cash flows. And there



1 shouldn't be any convexity bias as a result of  
2 that, but there is this side effect, this sort  
3 of less meaningful side effect which we call the  
4 NPV effect. One of the effects of that is that  
5 essentially for a given, a fixed move in the price  
6 of natural gas, the value of the OTC natural gas  
7 swap will move less than the value of the cleared  
8 natural gas swap because of the lack of discounting  
9 in the cleared version because of the lack of a PAI.

10 Q Was there any internal debate at DRW  
11 about the NPV effect and how it would affect the  
12 swap agreements that were turned into futures  
13 positions?

14 A I mean, that was -- I think that that's  
15 a term that we made up.

16 Q Okay.

17 A And it's not really something that  
18 we had really spent much time thinking about before.  
19 I guess we were always kind of intuitively aware of  
20 the fact of its existence, but we had never really  
21 described it in that manner. I don't think that  
22 it generated any debate but, you know, it's -- you  
23 know, when these discussions of futurization come  
24 up, it's something that I point out, that really

1 the futurization took place when ClearPort  
2 came into being, not the futurization, even though  
3 they were still called swaps. And really that  
4 transition was of one product to another but was not  
5 economically equivalent. When last year the NYMEX  
6 just changed everything to futures, there was no  
7 economic effect there of that change.

8 Q As you sit here today, do you have  
9 an understanding of how the daily settlement price  
10 was calculated for DRW's open positions on the IDCG?

11 A Well, I think we talked about that  
12 earlier, and there was some period of time during  
13 which -- well, initially they just used the OTC swap  
14 curve. I'm not sure where they got it from but,  
15 you know -- then -- however, you know, I guess they  
16 always had the rule that if a bid or offer on their  
17 screen on their DCM was, you know, conflicted with  
18 that, then they would use that point.

19 So when we started posting prices  
20 on the screen, which was the exchange's suggestion  
21 just to be clear, the -- they then used those prices  
22 to generate the settlements, and I think it was over  
23 some window of time. I don't remember exactly.

24 Q I have a few followup questions.

1 Who suggested --

2 A It was Garry O'Connor.

3 Q Do you remember when he did that?

4 A That was in a phone call in maybe December  
5 of 2010. I don't remember exactly, November,  
6 December.

7 Q And were you involved in a direct  
8 conversation with him about this?

9 A Yes.

10 Q And to the best of your recollection,  
11 what did he tell you?

12 A Well, as I said earlier, we had had a  
13 number of discussions with him about the fact that  
14 the settlement prices were not -- did not reflect  
15 the bids that we were showing in the broker market.

16 Now, if I were the CFTC, I would  
17 be very concerned about that, about an exchange  
18 settling something at a price that did not reflect  
19 the price at which that instrument is trading.  
20 That is the whole -- one of the primary benefits  
21 of futures markets is that settlement prices are  
22 computed every day based on the value of those  
23 instruments, the prices at which those instruments  
24 are trading. So the lack of a reflection of the

1 market activity in that clearinghouse obviously  
2 actually creates risk to the clearinghouse and the  
3 whole system.

4           So I had a number of discussions  
5 with him about the exchange's failure to reflect the  
6 prices at which things were trading. After several  
7 of those conversations he then suggested that --  
8 at first he was saying, well, I need to go and get  
9 permission from the CFTC and from the other clearing  
10 members to reflect prices that are in the broker  
11 market. And that, quite frankly, makes no sense  
12 to me, made no sense to me at the time. I think  
13 it's a very poor answer. However, he then suggested  
14 that we disseminate prices on the DCM  
15 electronically. And he said that if we did that,  
16 then those prices would be used, would be taken into  
17 account in determining the settlement prices.

18       Q     Were you frustrated with Garry O'Connor  
19 in the fall of 2011?

20       A     I was baffled by the fact that  
21 here's a clearinghouse and a DCM that's settling  
22 an instrument at a price that does not reflect the  
23 price at which the instrument's trading. That seems  
24 like a big problem to me.

1 MR. ULLMAN: Mark this as Exhibit 3,  
2 please.

3 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 3 was  
4 marked for identification, MM.)

5 Q I'm handing you what's been marked  
6 as Exhibit 3. It is an excerpt from the IDCH  
7 rule book. It is also for full disclosure dated  
8 September 1, 2010. There was an earlier iteration,  
9 but I want to talk about this set of rules. Why  
10 don't you take a second and give it a look, and  
11 then I have a few questions for you.

12 A (Witness complies).

13 Q And in particular I will direct  
14 your attention to page 10744 and what is Roman  
15 Numeral (i), Daily Settlement Price.

16 A Okay.

17 Q As articulated in Exhibit 3, is that  
18 your understanding of how the daily settlement price  
19 is calculated? I'm not talking about the discount  
20 curve, but I'm talking about the flows that are  
21 being measured.

22 A Yes.

23 Q And do you know whether you specifically  
24 analyzed IDCH's rules before creating open positions

1 on the IDCH?

2 A I don't recall.

3 Q And do you know if your traders looked at  
4 the rules before they established open positions?

5 A I doubt they did.

6 Q How come you doubt that they did?

7 A Not necessarily the kind of thing that  
8 traders pull up and look at.

9 Q Fair enough. Do you know when --  
10 and I'm talking about you specifically -- when you  
11 first looked at the exchange's rules?

12 A I don't recall.

13 Q At some point did you in, say, 2010?

14 A I don't remember.

15 Q And I assume that's the same answer for  
16 2011?

17 A That's correct.

18 Q Did you have a general understanding  
19 about what flows were valued on the IDCH contract  
20 when DRW entered into the positions?

21 A I mean, fixed versus floating cash flows,  
22 sure.

23 Q At the time were you aware that --  
24 did you believe that IDCH included variation margin

1 payments as part of cash flows or did you believe  
2 that IDCH only considered periodic coupon payments  
3 that the parties agreed would occur?

4 A I mean, any futures contract has variation  
5 margin flows, but I don't really understand the  
6 question.

7 Q Well, I guess -- I understand that  
8 point. But I guess in terms of the daily settlement  
9 price and what flows were being counted, did anyone  
10 ever tell you or did you ever have the belief that  
11 variation margin would be a separate flow that would  
12 be included in terms of valuing the daily settlement  
13 price?

14 A I'm sorry. I'm not understanding your  
15 question.

16 Q And I'll tell you the reason why I'm  
17 asking it, but I want to make sure I understand it.  
18 As articulated in the rule that sits in front of  
19 you, is that -- I guess as you sit here today, is  
20 that your understanding of how the daily settlement  
21 price was calculated in terms of the cash flows that  
22 were valued?

23 A I mean, my reading of this is that the  
24 value -- each leg of the cash flows, both fixed and

1 floating, according to the discount factor's  
2 generated by the IDEX curve. So, I mean, that makes  
3 sense to me.

4 Q And I don't want to belabor this,  
5 but I just want to make sure it's clear. Did you  
6 ever have the understanding that variation margin  
7 payments would be factored into the daily settlement  
8 price?

9 A I don't even know what that means.

10 Q That's all the answer I needed. You  
11 testified earlier about a series of phone calls you  
12 had with Garry O'Connor at IDCH in I think you said  
13 the fall and winter of 2010, is that correct?

14 A Yes.

15 Q And on one of those phone calls,  
16 I think you said it was November-December 2010,  
17 you testified that Mr. O'Connor suggested injecting  
18 things electronically, is that correct?

19 A That's correct.

20 Q Was that the first time -- and you were on  
21 that phone call, correct?

22 A Yes.

23 Q And the person we're calling Vander, was he  
24 on the phone call?



1 A I don't recall.

2 Q Was Silberberg on the phone call?

3 A I don't recall.

4 Q Did you ever convey that information  
5 to Vander and Silberberg that O'Connor told you?

6 A Yes.

7 Q And why did you convey that to them?

8 A Well, we were, as I said, concerned  
9 by the fact that the exchange was not settling the  
10 contracts at prices that reflected where they were  
11 trading in the marketplace, and we were working on  
12 coming up with a solution for that.

13 Q Was that the first time you specifically  
14 learned that market behavior could supplant OTC  
15 rates in the generation of the IDCH's discount  
16 curve?

17 A No. I mean, the way that -- I mean, when  
18 you read this, it says that the discount factors are  
19 generated by the IDEX curve.

20 Q Um-hmm.

21 A So the way that I think about that  
22 is the IDEX curve isn't necessarily the same as the  
23 OTC swap curve, and it's entirely plausible that the  
24 IDEX curve may be, you know, different. So I was --

1 I mean, I guess that I just always assumed that the  
2 IDEX curve would reflect the yields of the contracts  
3 that traded on its exchange and were cleared at its  
4 clearinghouse regardless of where the OTC swap curve  
5 was.

6 Q And I know it's a long time ago, but  
7 you said that was an assumption. Do you remember  
8 anyone communicating that to you before your phone  
9 call with Garry O'Connor in November-December 2010?

10 A No. But, again, if you -- if it  
11 weren't the case, then it would be conceivable  
12 that a clearinghouse would have contracts on it  
13 and would provide settlement prices that did not  
14 reflect the values at which those contracts were  
15 traded, which is inconsistent with the way that  
16 futures markets are supposed to work or really any  
17 clearinghouse for that matter.

18 Q Right. But that's for consummated trades,  
19 right? I'm talking about just bids that are never  
20 lifted.

21 A Well, I mean, what's the difference?

22 Q Well, I mean, the difference is --  
23 and I'm not unfortunately -- luckily you don't  
24 have to ask me questions today. But you don't see

1 a difference between those two things?

2 A No. I mean, it's the clearinghouse's  
3 job to provide settlement prices that are as close  
4 to the way that the market values them as possible,  
5 regardless of whether there's open interest in them  
6 or not. If they're publishing a curve, they  
7 should -- I mean, they should go out of their way  
8 to find out where people are willing to trade those  
9 things.

10 Q Did you ever receive a document  
11 from IDCH or drafted by IDCH that talked about how  
12 it uses bids and potentially offers in consummated  
13 trades to help fill out its discount curve?

14 A I don't recall receiving one.

15 MR. ULLMAN: Can you mark this as 4,  
16 please.

17 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 4 was  
18 marked for identification, MM.)

19 Q Mr. Wilson, I'm handing you what's  
20 been marked as Exhibit 4. It's Bates No. D0134940.  
21 Would you do me a favor and give it a quick read  
22 and look up when you've had a chance to give it a  
23 review.

24 A (Witness complies).

1 Q Have you seen this email before?

2 A I mean, I don't recall seeing it.

3 Q Just so the record's clear, is this your  
4 correct email address on it?

5 A Yes.

6 Q And that's DonaldWilson@DRWHoldings.com,  
7 is that correct?

8 A That's correct.

9 Q Do you remember anything about this email?

10 A As I said, I don't remember writing it,  
11 but I'm sure I did.

12 Q Okay. Let's see if I can refresh  
13 your recollection a little bit. This first  
14 sentence, "We need to make a concerted effort to  
15 get these initiatives fully functional now. This  
16 is the beginning of what we have been talking about  
17 for years but we need to get it right." Do you see  
18 that sentence?

19 A Um-hmm.

20 Q What are you referring to in that sentence,  
21 if you can tell me.

22 A So this is the general theme that  
23 I touched on a little bit earlier of, you know,  
24 as -- so interest rate swaps are, even though as

1 we've discussed, are very similar to Eurodollar  
2 futures and even though we were -- have been for  
3 years one of the largest market participants in the  
4 Eurodollar options and futures markets, the interest  
5 rate swaps market was always a market in which we  
6 had only, you know, kind of very modest access.  
7 We only had access to that market as essentially a  
8 customer.

9 And so the theory was that  
10 if interest rate swaps became cleared or, you know,  
11 somehow futurized or whatever, that that would kind  
12 of open up that market and provide firms like DRW  
13 the opportunity to participate in that market and  
14 compete with the dealer banks, you know, in the  
15 same way that we compete in Eurodollar futures  
16 and options.

17 Q Do you know what FIA is?

18 A Yes.

19 Q And can you tell me what it is for the  
20 record, please.

21 A Futures Industry Association.

22 Q And do you serve on any panels for FIA?

23 A I'm on the board of FIA, yeah.

24 Q And in terms of being on the board of FIA,

1 have you dealt with futurization of swaps issues  
2 before?

3 A Yes.

4 Q And in what capacity?

5 A I mean, I've been on panels and chaired  
6 panels that discuss that topic.

7 Q Two-thirds of the way down the page it  
8 says, "DRW only, No. 4." Do you see that?

9 A Yes.

10 Q It says, "No. 4 priority is to really  
11 understand IDCG." I should tell you this email  
12 was written on July 23, 2010. It says, "Confirm  
13 the contract has full convexity bias (despite the  
14 fact they will force it to settle at non-convexity  
15 biased prices)." Can you tell me what that sentence  
16 means?

17 A Well, so this is -- you know, I guess  
18 during the period where I believe that it has  
19 convexity bias but some other people believe that  
20 it doesn't, and then there's a question of how much  
21 should it have. So this is, you know, this is still  
22 obviously we haven't concluded what it is. And, you  
23 know, then in parentheses, the despite the fact that  
24 they will force it to settle at non-convexity biased

1 prices, so I guess that at the time I had the  
2 understanding that, you know, they would settle the  
3 contracts on top of the OTC curve regardless of  
4 where they traded.

5 Q One of the recipients is Neal Brady.

6 A Um-hmm.

7 Q Who's Neal Brady?

8 A He's the CEO of Eris.

9 Q What's Third Stone? Do you know what Third  
10 Stone Partners is?

11 A Yeah. That was kind of a small venture  
12 capital group that he was working with before he  
13 joined Eris.

14 MR. ULLMAN: What are we up to, 5.

15 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 5 was  
16 marked for identification, MM.)

17 Q Mr. Wilson, I'm passing you what's been  
18 marked as Exhibit 5. Can you give it a look and  
19 then look up when you're ready for me to ask you  
20 a few questions about it.

21 A (Witness complies).

22 Q Can you describe what Exhibit 5 is for  
23 the record, please.

24 A This is a patent application for an

1 invention which was developed by me and Yuhua Yu  
2 for a method for creating an interest rate swap  
3 futures contract that had an essentially embedded  
4 PAI adjustment in it.

5 Q I take it from the publication date  
6 that the patent has been granted, is that correct?

7 A No, I don't think that it's been granted  
8 yet.

9 Q Do you know what stage it's in?

10 A It's in the, you know, iterative stage.

11 Q Fair enough.

12 MR. ULLMAN: Mark this as 6, please.

13 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 6 was  
14 marked for identification, MM.)

15 Q I'm handing you what's been marked as  
16 Exhibit 6. It's Bates numbered D0190794. Please  
17 give it a quick read and look up when you've had  
18 a chance to look at it.

19 A (Witness complies).

20 Q Can you identify what this email is for  
21 the record, please.

22 A This is first an email from Sam Stephenson  
23 who runs our back office describing information that  
24 he obtained after speaking from Garry O'Connor --



1 with Garry O'Connor at IDCG, and he's talking  
2 primarily about the methodology that is used for  
3 closing out an existing trade.

4 Q In the second sentence of your email,  
5 it looks like --

6 MR. ULLMAN: Is this partially redacted,  
7 these squares at the beginning? Maybe it's  
8 just --

9 MR. HELWIG: I don't believe these are  
10 redacted.

11 MR. ULLMAN: Then I was wrong.

12 MR. HELWIG: Yeah.

13 BY MR. ULLMAN:

14 Q There appear to be some squares.  
15 We'll ignore those. But it says, "There is  
16 convexity bias changes in Mark-to-Market value move  
17 through variation margin daily and there is no PAI.  
18 They have indicated that it is something they are  
19 considering." Can you elaborate on that statement  
20 at all?

21 MR. HELWIG: For the record, it appears  
22 that there are quotes around that and he's  
23 quoting something, right?

24 A I'm quoting something that Sam said

1 further below.

2 BY MR. ULLMAN:

3 Q Okay. So that's just an ongoing question  
4 you have when it comes to the next paragraph, "They  
5 acknowledge there should be a convexity bias but  
6 they are forcing it to settle without one." I just  
7 want to make sure there was no other independent --  
8 I see now it's quoted from the bottom. I was  
9 confused by the squares.

10 MR. HELWIG: And the squares might have  
11 come from a cut, copy and paste or something.

12 MR. ULLMAN: Yeah, that's fine. Yeah,  
13 it's no big deal.

14 Q On the bottom you said, "They are  
15 considering adding PAI? I assume this would not be  
16 forced on existing open interest, since that would  
17 be a material change to the contract?" Do you see  
18 that?

19 A Um-hmm.

20 Q Did you ever find out whether IDCH was  
21 considering PAI or not?

22 A Well, in a meeting in November they told  
23 me that they were.

24 Q Who told you specifically?

1 A Garry O'Connor.

2 Q That's different than the phone  
3 conversation you had with him?

4 A That's correct.

5 Q And did he tell you why they were going  
6 to -- or they were planning to add PAI?

7 A I guess that they had concluded -- I mean,  
8 you know, while initially they launched a contract  
9 without PAI, I guess that they decided that they  
10 wanted to change and launch one with PAI.

11 Q Any other information about that meeting  
12 about PAI that you can remember?

13 A Well, I mean, it was during the FIA  
14 expo. It was at an Irish pub in the hotel where  
15 it's held in the Hilton. And initially Garry said,  
16 you know, you need to take your positions off and  
17 I said, you know, why. I mean, that's very strange.  
18 Why would you want me to take our positions off.  
19 And he said, well, you know, if you don't take your  
20 positions off, then we'll just add PAI in the  
21 contract.

22 I mean, that doesn't make any  
23 sense. You can't just change a contract. The  
24 contract specs say there's no PAI. And I said why

1 don't you launch a new contract that has PAI.

2 People can trade both curves, the curve that has no  
3 PAI and the curve that does have PAI. And he said  
4 okay, well, I guess that's another way of handling  
5 it.

6 Q Did you have any further conversation with  
7 him after that about PAI?

8 A I don't recall.

9 Q What city were you in when this occurred?

10 A In Chicago.

11 MR. ULLMAN: Let's go off the record  
12 for a second.

13 (Discussion off the record.)

14 (Whereupon a lunch recess was taken  
15 from 12:34 p.m., to 1:10 p.m., after  
16 which the following proceedings were  
17 had:)

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1 A F T E R N O O N S E S S I O N

2 MR. ULLMAN: Let's go back on the record.

3 DONALD R. WILSON, JR.,  
4 called as a witness herein, having been previously  
5 sworn and examined, testified further as follows:

6 EXAMINATION (Cont'd.)

7 BY MR. ULLMAN:

8 Q Could you grab what's been previously  
9 marked as Exhibit 2, please.

10 A (Witness complies).

11 Q It is the position report from IDCH. And  
12 you have the correct page, 14069?

13 A Okay.

14 Q And if you could, just for reference  
15 for the next email I'm going to give to you, look  
16 at the effective date. Do you see the effective  
17 date column?

18 A Um-hmm.

19 Q And you'll notice that there are  
20 a series of positions that are put on in mid-to-late  
21 September 2010. Do you see that?

22 A Yes.

23 MR. ULLMAN: Let's mark this, what are  
24 we up to, 7.

1 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 7 was

2 marked for identification, MM.)

3 Q I'm handing you what's been marked as  
4 Exhibit 7. Feel free to give it all a look, but  
5 what I'm particularly interested in is the first  
6 half of the first page, which is D559.

7 A Okay.

8 Q Can you identify this email for the  
9 record, please.

10 A This is an email from Vander to Barry in  
11 which he forwards an email from David Drustrup and  
12 makes a couple comments.

13 Q You'll note the date is September 24, 2010.  
14 Do you see that?

15 A Yes.

16 Q In the email Vander says, "I'm chomping  
17 at the bit to get back. Seeing that this is now a  
18 reality and that we are trading a swap book. How  
19 has it been, seeing good flow? Has Katz brought any  
20 more suckers in for a trade?" Have you seen this  
21 email before?

22 A I don't think so.

23 Q Do you know why he's asking if Katz brought  
24 any more suckers in for a trade?

1           A     Well, presumably he believes that the  
2     trades that we've been doing have positive expected  
3     value. I don't know -- I mean, he's asking if we've  
4     done any more trades.

5                     (Whereupon Exhibit No. 8 was  
6                     marked for identification, MM.)

7           Q     Handing you what's been marked as  
8     Exhibit 8, it's Bates 663 or D0000663. Please give  
9     it a quick read and look up when you're ready for me  
10    to ask you a few questions about it.

11          A     (Witness complies).

12          Q     Have you seen this email before?

13          A     No.

14          Q     And that's dated November 3, 2010?

15          A     Yes.

16          Q     Do you know what this is referring  
17    to? It says, "I think what we will have to do is  
18    at 10 a.m. send our offers to IDCG directly to move  
19    the 10 a.m. settles and do the same at the close."  
20    Do you know what the significance of 10 a.m. is?

21          A     As I said earlier, they had a midmorning  
22    curve, you know, that they published.

23          Q     Is it your understanding that your  
24    traders were putting in bids and offers around

1 10 a.m. to move the settles?

2 A Well, here, so at this point we're  
3 not putting any bids or offers into any electronic  
4 system. As I earlier said, we were very concerned  
5 at this point by the fact that the settlement prices  
6 on the exchange did not reflect the prices that we  
7 were willing to pay and, you know, we wanted to  
8 highlight the fact to the exchange, the fact that  
9 they were not settling things at prices that  
10 reflected their fair values.

11 So as any market participant  
12 would want to do, they were trying to figure out  
13 how to emphasize to the exchange the fact that the  
14 exchange was inaccurately settling the contracts.

15 Q And what's the basis of that statement,  
16 that they were -- did you say inaccurately settling  
17 the contracts?

18 A That's right.

19 Q What's the basis of that statement?

20 A For instance, let's say that I'm bidding  
21 10 for something and the exchange settles it at 5.  
22 Then the exchange is settling a contract at a price  
23 that is below the price at which I'm willing to pay.  
24 That would be an inaccurate settlement price.



1           And, again, I mean, that's the type of  
2     thing that the CFTC should be very concerned about  
3     as well. If an exchange is settling a contract at a  
4     price that does not reflect the price at which it's  
5     trading in the marketplace, I mean, that puts the  
6     whole system at risk and the clearinghouse at risk.  
7     CFTC should be very interested in ensuring that the  
8     contract is settled as close as possible to the  
9     price at which people are willing to transact in  
10    the marketplace.

11           And I think that, you know, it's  
12    important to differentiate -- as I said, you know,  
13    I spent years standing in the Eurodollar option pit  
14    and I was on the settlement committee for a lot of  
15    that time. And there were instances in which, you  
16    know, a market participant might have a large  
17    position in a given strike or spread or whatever  
18    it was. Sometimes -- and let's say that the market  
19    in that spread is 5 bid at 6, okay, and the market  
20    participant is long.

21           Now, sometimes in order to ensure  
22    that their spread did not settle below the market,  
23    they would come in and bid 5 on the close, say I'm  
24    5 bid, and they would clearly represent that they

1     were 5 bid. Anybody who wanted to sell them the  
2     spread at 5 could sell it at 5, but I am 5 bid, do  
3     not settle it below 5. And I always looked at that  
4     as, you know, part of the price discovery process.  
5     They're ensuring that this item which they're  
6     willing to buy more of for that price settles at  
7     least at that price, and they're representing that  
8     price in the closing range.

9                 Now, in some cases some market  
10    participants -- same set of facts -- would come  
11    in and put in an order two seconds before the close  
12    and say I'm, you know, 7 bid and the broker would  
13    kind of go 7 bid. And then after the close the  
14    broker would come down and say, hey, I was bidding  
15    7 in that. You have to settle this at 7. And we'd  
16    say no, you weren't. You were never willing to pay  
17    7 in that during the day, and that's not the value  
18    of that thing. Everybody was 5 bid at 6. You know  
19    that. It will be settled no lower than 5 and no  
20    higher than 6, but you didn't represent your bid in  
21    the closing range in a manner that enabled market  
22    participants to trade with you. Therefore, you  
23    know, I mean, could you say you were trying to  
24    manipulate the price of the item? Probably a fair

1 statement. But in any case, the price should be  
2 disregarded. It's not reflective of the market  
3 price.

4 In this case we're trying to  
5 put this position on. We have bids out in the  
6 market through a voice broker. Anybody who wants  
7 to trade with us can trade with us at any time of  
8 the day. So, yes, of course we want to make sure  
9 that the exchange knows during the window of time  
10 that they're computing the settlement prices that  
11 we're willing to trade at those prices, just like  
12 in the pit. Not that we're trying to pay 7 when  
13 it's 5 bid at 6, but we're 5 bid. It's 5 bid at 6  
14 and we are 5 bid and please represent that in the  
15 settlement process. That's what's going on here.

16 Q And I guess was the conversion -- you  
17 retained Sky Road, is that right, to help inject  
18 bids electronically?

19 A Yes.

20 Q And that was, I guess, in January?

21 A January.

22 Q Was that part of the reason of retaining  
23 Sky Road, to inject bids electronically to affect  
24 the daily settlement price?

1           A     Yeah. I mean, here, as I said earlier,  
2 we had a number of conversations with Garry O'Connor  
3 in which we said, Garry, we are bidding 5. Please  
4 don't settle our spread below 5, you know, to put  
5 it in context of the story I just told. And Garry  
6 kept on saying, well, I have to go and get the rules  
7 changed to be able to reflect your price, which  
8 doesn't make any sense. And, actually, when you  
9 read this -- their settlement process here, it  
10 makes it pretty clear, you know, in daily settlement  
11 price, notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the  
12 clearinghouse may in its sole discretion establish  
13 a daily settlement price that is a fair and  
14 appropriate reflection of the market.

15                     I would hope so. Of course,  
16 they were not doing that. That's a problem. I  
17 mean, if I were the CFTC, I would be very concerned  
18 that the exchange was not doing that. But when  
19 Garry said you know what, if you put your prices on,  
20 you know, inject them electronically, then we the  
21 exchange will take them into account, we said okay.  
22 If that's what we need to do, that's what we'll do.  
23 But to be clear, it's not like we were bidding 7  
24 when the market was 5 bid at 6. We were bidding

1 5 when the market was 5 bid at 6. We were  
2 willing to pay those prices all day long --  
3 everybody knew it -- through the voice broker,  
4 on the screen, doesn't matter. And, yes, of course  
5 we wanted those prices to be reflected in the  
6 settlements of the exchange.

7 Q Why was that important?

8 A It should be important to the CFTC  
9 too because those prices reflected the value of  
10 the market. It was important to us too because we  
11 had positions on, and so we wanted -- and keep in  
12 mind, I mean, it's not like we hedged these one  
13 to one with OTC swaps and we had this massive  
14 tail on. So as the market moved, I mean, we had  
15 significant P&L fluctuation. So in order for the  
16 whole kind of are things -- I mean, we had  
17 significant P&L variance as a result and we wanted  
18 to -- you know, by moving the exchange settlements  
19 to the price we were willing to pay, not even what  
20 we thought fair value was, but just the price we  
21 were willing to pay, essentially, you know, helped  
22 to make the whole thing make sense.

23 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 9 was

24 marked for identification, MM.)

1           Q     Handing you what's been marked as  
2     Exhibit 9, it is Bates No. D0173672. Please give it  
3     a quick read.

4           A     (Witness complies).

5           Q     Before we do that, let's go back to  
6     the last exhibit. I forgot to ask you a few  
7     questions, Exhibit No. 8, please. It's the last  
8     letter --

9           A     Yeah.

10          Q     The second paragraph, can you give that  
11     a quick read, please.

12          A     (Witness complies).

13          Q     The last part where it says that they  
14     should be forced to settle to our offers, do you see  
15     that part?

16          A     Yes.

17          Q     Is that what you were just describing  
18     before?

19          A     That's exactly what I was just describing.  
20     And not, you know, that we were bidding 7 when the  
21     market was 5 bid at 6, but we were bidding 5 when  
22     the market's 5 bid at 6. We're reflecting the price  
23     at which we're willing to trade. This is a good  
24     thing.

1 Q Okay, sorry. Let's go back to  
2 Exhibit 9. And you've had a chance to give this  
3 a quick read?

4 A Yep.

5 Q Can you identify this email for the  
6 record, please.

7 A This is an email from Yuhua Yu to me and  
8 other people at DRW.

9 Q She writes -- well, I guess before  
10 going into the specific text, do you have any  
11 recollection of this email?

12 A I don't remember.

13 Q When you read it here as you sit here  
14 today, do you know what she's -- what the subject of  
15 this email is? It says What's Next, but I'm trying  
16 to figure out what it relates to.

17 A Well, I mean, as I said, you know, we  
18 were throughout this whole process figuring out,  
19 you know, how to value these things, how to model  
20 them, how to hedge them. Lots of back and forth,  
21 lots of, you know -- and so now we're in, you know,  
22 the next phase is, hey, suppose somebody wants to  
23 unwind these, at what price should we unwind them.  
24 What do we think fair value is and, you know, how do

1 we unwind them. That's part of it. And the other  
2 part of it is if IDCG instead of just settling to  
3 the LIBOR curve to the swap curve settles to a curve  
4 that, let's say, reflects where our bids are or, you  
5 know, she poses the theoretical of our theoretical  
6 fair values, then how would that change the manner  
7 in which we're hedging the portfolio. And it turns  
8 out -- I mean, and it's not immediately intuitively  
9 obvious -- but it actually changes the way that you  
10 have to hedge the portfolio. So that's what she's  
11 talking about.

12 Q And this section here where she says,  
13 "Old regime: IDCG settle curve is a LIBOR swap  
14 curve," do you see that?

15 A Yeah. That's just the OTC swap curve  
16 is exactly what she's saying.

17 Q And the second part of it says, "New  
18 Regime: IDCG settle curve is DRW defined."

19 A Right. And that's more of a theoretical  
20 but, you know -- or not. But, yeah, so she's  
21 saying, okay, so this reflects the prices that we,  
22 DRW, are willing to pay. In other words, it's  
23 a reflection of where the thing's actually trading  
24 rather than this OTC swap curve.



1           Q     Thank you for that. So am I right --  
2     again, I'm just trying to figure out the context  
3     of this. I know at this point -- and I'll represent  
4     to you it appears that you're between iterations in  
5     this white paper, which I'm happy to show you the  
6     exhibit, but in this date. But you think that as  
7     you read it here today -- I don't know why -- let me  
8     just say for the record I'm not sure why the email  
9     was generated. But you think this was generated in  
10    the context of what is the closeout price on these  
11    open positions, is that --

12          A     Yeah, I think it's two things.

13          Q     Okay.

14          A     You know, at what price do we close  
15    these out, you know. If somebody calls us up and  
16    says, hey, we want to take this off, where would we  
17    take them off. And, you know, not -- I mean, my  
18    philosophy on it was, hey, we'll take them off at  
19    our perception of fair value. Not everybody would  
20    do it that way but -- and then the other question  
21    was, you know, how does our hedging procedure need  
22    to change.

23          Q     Okay. At this point had a counterparty  
24    approached you about closing out --

1 A I don't recall.

2 Q Sorry?

3 A I don't recall.

4 Q Just let me finish the question, okay?

5 A (Nodding).

6 Q Do you know -- and this is a more specific  
7 question. If you don't, that's fine -- what old  
8 regime versus new regime means, that distinction  
9 that she's making?

10 A Right. I thought that I just described  
11 that.

12 Q Okay. Can you describe it again because  
13 maybe I didn't understand it.

14 A She's defining old regime as IDCG is  
15 settling to the swap curve. IDCG is disregarding  
16 the prices at which their instruments are trading.  
17 That is old regime. Probably a problem. But,  
18 anyway, that's old regime. New regime is IDCG is  
19 taking into account the prices at which their  
20 instruments are trading. That's new regime.

21 Q Would it be fair to characterize old  
22 regime as when DRW was putting in voice bids only  
23 and new regime as being electronically entering --

24 A De facto that's the case.

1 Q Is Ms. Yu still with DRW?

2 A Yes.

3 Q Is she still the head of quantitative?

4 A Yes.

5 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 10 was  
6 marked for identification, MM.)

7 Q I'm handing you what's been marked as  
8 Exhibit 10.

9 MR. ULLMAN: Just for the record, I think  
10 this was produced in native format, so that's  
11 why it doesn't have a Bates number. But just  
12 for the record, I will indicate that it's an  
13 email from Ms. Yu on Monday, February 7, 2011  
14 at 1:55 p.m. to Craig Silberberg and the  
15 witness, and some other people are copied on  
16 it. Just for the record again, the subject is  
17 Some Clarification.

18 Q Have you seen this email before?

19 A I mean, I don't remember it.

20 Q Can you tell from reading it what the  
21 context of this email was?

22 A Well, this appears to be a followup  
23 to the February 3rd email in which she's talking  
24 about some of the, you know -- a framework for

1 thinking about the unwind, kind of a fair value  
2 unwind price based on our, you know, modeling  
3 framework. And she's highlighting that there's  
4 essentially some iterative effects and it's a little  
5 bit not obvious.

6 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 11 was  
7 marked for identification, MM.)

8 Q I'm marking this as Exhibit 11.

9 A Okay.

10 Q Exhibit 11 is Bates numbered D0000907.

11 It looks like it's an email from Vander Luitgaren  
12 to Craig Silberberg. Who's Jack Tian, by the way,  
13 who's copied on this?

14 A Probably a clerk.

15 Q Have you seen this email before?

16 A No.

17 Q Do you understand why it's important that  
18 Craig gets his bids into the sheet by 1:50?

19 A Well, it looks like Vander's canceling  
20 his bids and -- I don't know. I mean, maybe --  
21 I'm just --

22 MR. HELWIG: Don't really guess. If you  
23 don't know --

24 A I don't know. I don't know. But

1 it looks like one person's pulling their bids and  
2 the other person's putting theirs in. I'm not sure,  
3 though.

4 MR. ULLMAN: Let's take a five-minute  
5 break. I think we're getting close. Making  
6 good progress.

7 MR. HELWIG: Wow, okay.

8 (Whereupon a recess was taken from  
9 1:35 p.m., to 1:46 p.m., after which  
10 the following proceedings were had:)

11 MR. ULLMAN: We're back on the record.

12 Q At some point did you discover that  
13 Jefferies & Company was on the other side of one  
14 of these open positions?

15 A Yes.

16 Q How did you find that out?

17 A Well, I think that we knew that when  
18 we were -- as we did the trades, I think that we  
19 knew who the counterparty was. I mean, obviously  
20 technically the trades were done as EFS's, which  
21 means that, you know, at least in theory we're  
22 entering into an uncleared bilateral transaction  
23 and then converting it to a futures contract.  
24 Therefore, you logically would know your

1       counterparty.

2           Q       Understood. And at some point did you  
3       become aware that Jefferies sued NASDAQ and IDCG and  
4       IDCH?

5           A       Yes.

6           MR. ULLMAN: Can you mark this as 12,  
7       please.

8                   (Whereupon Exhibit No. 12 was  
9                   marked for identification, MM.)

10          Q       I'm not going to ask you to read  
11       all this because that would be a long read, but  
12       I just want you to have it for reference. I've  
13       handed you what's marked as Exhibit 12. It's Bates  
14       numbered JEF-CFTC-00000001. Have you seen this  
15       complaint before?

16          A       I don't recall.

17          Q       Do you know who Rich Handler is?

18          A       Yes.

19          Q       Who's Rich Handler?

20          A       He's the CEO of Jefferies.

21          MR. ULLMAN: And can you mark this as 13,  
22       please.

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1 (Whereupon Exhibit No. 13 was  
2 marked for identification, MM.)

3 Q I've handed you what's been marked  
4 Exhibit 13. It's Bates numbered D162862.

5 A Yes.

6 Q You'll see -- and it's an email from you  
7 to Rich Handler. Do you see that?

8 A Yes.

9 Q And the subject says Complaint?

10 A Yes.

11 Q You'll also notice that the date is  
12 September 20, 2011?

13 A Yes.

14 Q And if you look at Exhibit 12,  
15 you'll notice there's a received by date and it  
16 says September 16, 2011. This is in Exhibit 12,  
17 the complaint I'm referring to now.

18 A Yes.

19 Q You'll see that it has it's received on  
20 September 16, 2011.

21 A Okay.

22 Q And the subject of the email is  
23 Complaint. Just as a summary, I take it you don't  
24 remember drafting this email?

1           A     I mean, I remember the email now, yeah.

2           Q     And I know you've testified to parts  
3 of this. I just want to make sure I understand it.  
4 It appears that this is your review and analysis of  
5 this complaint. Is that a fair description?

6           A     I think I'm just objecting to one sentence  
7 or phrase in the complaint.

8           Q     Okay. And I guess one of the sentences  
9 would be purportedly executable bids, is that the  
10 difficulty?

11          A     You're correct.

12          Q     And what was your beef with that?

13          A     Well, again, as I described in my --  
14 you know, as I've described, the bids that we --  
15 the bids and offers that we were putting -- that  
16 we entered into IDCG electronically were consistent  
17 with the bids that we had with the voice broker and  
18 were executable bids and bids at which we were  
19 perfectly happy to transact.

20                   The complaint refers to an  
21 artificial pricing level created by purportedly  
22 executable bids. And I was pointing out to him that  
23 that was not accurate, that in fact those were bids  
24 at which we were willing to trade at all times and



1       were, therefore, not at all artificial but were  
2       true reflections of where the market was.

3           Q     And the next sentence that says,  
4       "The settlement prices derived from them were  
5       obviously not at all artificial but were instead  
6       reflective of the absence of a PAI adjustment."

7       Do you see that?

8           A     Yes.

9           Q     Can you explain that sentence to me,  
10      please.

11          A     Well, as we eventually explained in the  
12      white paper, the lack of PAI caused our models to,  
13      you know, value IDCG contracts at higher yields.  
14      And obviously, you know, our willingness to pay a  
15      higher yield was a reflection of that and the  
16      reflection of the lack of the PAI adjustment.

17          Q     Did your models have any specific names?

18          A     No.

19          Q     Did you just refer to it as the  
20      IDCH model or, I mean, how would you refer to it  
21      inhouse?

22          A     I don't know. Something like that. I'm  
23      not sure.

24          Q     Who do you think would know that?

1           A     I mean, I think that the white paper  
2     essentially publishes our -- you know, a framework  
3     for valuing the contracts. And, I mean, our  
4     internal model that we eventually, you know, came  
5     to after a lot of work would have been consistent  
6     with that.

7           Q     I understand. I'm just simply asking  
8     what its name is. If it doesn't have a name, that's  
9     fine.

10           MR. ULLMAN: I don't have any further  
11     questions right now. Two quick things. Is  
12     there anything you want to add to the record?

13           MR. HELWIG: Do you want to step out or no?

14           MS. LEVY: Let's step out for a second.

15           MR. HELWIG: Did you want to do the second  
16     thing?

17           MR. ULLMAN: Well, the second thing  
18     is that we always leave testimony open, just so  
19     you know. Do you want to take a five-minute  
20     break?

21           MR. HELWIG: Yeah. I don't even know  
22     that we need five minutes.

23           MR. ULLMAN: Thank you.

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1 (Whereupon a recess was taken from  
2 1:50 p.m., to 1:52 p.m., after which  
3 the following proceedings were had:)

4 MR. ULLMAN: We're back on the record.

5 I guess we left it whether the witness wants  
6 to add anything to the record.

7 MR. HELWIG: No, the answer's no. We have  
8 nothing else to offer.

9 MR. ULLMAN: Okay. We will leave the  
10 testimony open. Thank you very much for your  
11 time, Mr. Wilson. We appreciate it, and thanks  
12 everybody. We're off the record.

13 MR. HELWIG: Thank you for moving it along.

14 WHICH WERE ALL THE PROCEEDINGS  
15 HAD OR OFFERED AT SAID HEARING  
16 OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED CAUSE.

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2 ) SS.  
3 COUNTY OF C O O K)

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**Re: DRW Investments, LLC**

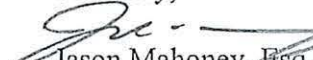
Dear Mr. Helwig:

Enclosed is a subpoena issued to Donald Wilson by the Division of Enforcement of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC") in connection with an ongoing investigation. The subpoena requires Mr. Wilson to appear and testify before the CFTC, located at 525 West Monroe Street, Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60661, on April 2, 2013 at 10:00 A.M., and will continue from day to day until completed.

Enclosed for your reference is a document entitled *Statement to Persons Providing Information About Themselves to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission*. This document explains some of Mr. Wilson's rights and sets forth the routine uses that can be made of the information provided in response to this subpoena.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (202) 418-5289

Sincerely,

  
Jason Mahoney, Esq.

cc: A. Daniel Ullman, II

Enclosures:

1. *Statement to Persons Providing Information About Themselves to the Commodity Futures Trading Commission*



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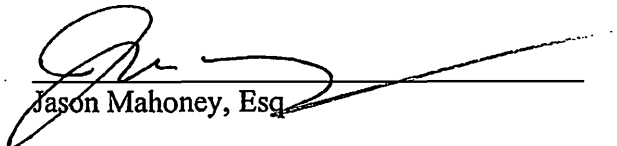
TO: Donald Wilson,  
c/o Ted Helwig  
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**YOU ARE HEREBY COMMANDED** to appear before Joan Manley, A. Daniel Ullman II, Jason Mahoney, Sophia Siddiqui, Jordon Grimm and other officers of the U.S. Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("CFTC"), located at 525 West Monroe Street, Suite 1100, Chicago, IL 60661, on April 2, 2013, at 10:00 A.M, to give testimony under oath, in the matter of:

**DRW Investments, LLC**

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**FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THIS SUBPOENA MAY RESULT IN THE  
COMMENCEMENT OF A LEGAL ACTION IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT  
COURT TO COMPEL COMPLIANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS HEREOF.**  
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Issued on February 14, 2013, in Washington, D.C. by:

  
Jason Mahoney, Esq

*NOTICE TO WITNESS: Fees and mileage need not be tendered to the witness upon service of a subpoena issued on behalf of an officer or employee of the CFTC. 28 U.S.C. § 1825.*



RETURN OF SERVICE

In the Case of Service upon a Natural Person:

- ☐ handing it to the person named herein.
- ☐ leaving it at the person's office with the following person in charge:  
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- ☐ leaving it at the person's office in the following conspicuous place:  
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- ☐ leaving it at the person's usual place of abode, street address:  
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- ☐ mailing by certified or registered mail to the following address:  
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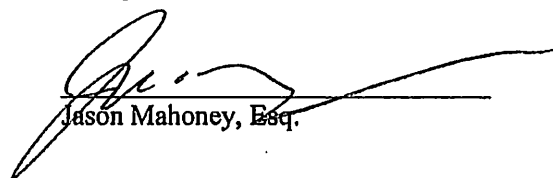
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In the Case of Service upon Other Than a Natural Person:

- ☐ handing it to the following registered agent for service or other officer, director or agent in charge of such office (name and title):  
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- ☐ mailing by certified or registered mail to the entity's following agent or representative:  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ mailing by UPS to the following address:  
\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ the following method by which actual notice was given:

*I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct and that I served this subpoena in accordance with the method noted above.*

Dated: February 14, 2013

  
Jason Mahoney, Esq.



U.S. COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20581

Statement to Persons Providing Information about Themselves to  
the Commodity Futures Trading Commission

This document sets forth your legal rights and responsibilities as a person requested to supply information about yourself voluntarily, as a person with recordkeeping obligations under the Commodity Exchange Act or CFTC regulations, or as a person directed to provide sworn testimony or produce documents pursuant to a subpoena of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission ("Commission" or "CFTC"). When applicable, this statement also provides important information about the deposition process for persons providing testimony. Unless stated otherwise, the information below applies whether you are providing information voluntarily, pursuant to the recordkeeping obligations of a registrant, or pursuant to subpoena.

FALSE STATEMENTS AND DOCUMENTS

Any person who knowingly and willfully makes false or fraudulent statements, whether under oath or otherwise, or who falsifies, conceals or covers up a material fact, or submits any false writing or document, knowing it to contain false, fictitious or fraudulent information, is subject to the criminal penalties set forth in 18 U.S.C. § 1001, which include imprisonment of not more than five years, imposition of a substantial fine under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, or both.

It shall also be unlawful for any person to make any false or misleading statement of a material fact to the Commission, including in any registration application or any report filed with the Commission under this Act, or any other information relating to a swap, or a contract of sale of a commodity, in interstate commerce, or for future delivery on or subject to the rules of any registered entity, or to omit to state in any such statement any material fact that is necessary to make any statement of a material fact made not misleading in any material respect, if the person knew, or reasonably should have known, the statement to be false or misleading, as set forth in Section 6(c)(2) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 9(2).

PRIVACY ACT

To restrict unauthorized dissemination of personal information, the Privacy Act of 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, limits an agency's ability to disclose such information.<sup>1</sup> Under the Privacy Act, the Commission may disclose protected information as follows: when the individual to whom the record pertains consents in writing; when officers and employees of the Commission need the record to perform their duties; when required by the terms of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552; or when disclosure is for a "routine use" (i.e., one compatible with the purpose for which the information was collected).

<sup>1</sup> Individuals should refer to the full text of the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a, to the Commission's rules, 17 C.F.R. § 146, and the CFTC's compilation of System of Record Notices, 78 Fed. Reg. 6974 (Feb. 2, 2011), for a complete list of authorized disclosures and coverage of the Act. Only those disclosures arising most frequently are mentioned in this document.



The Privacy Act also requires that, in certain situations, individuals requested to provide information about themselves receive notice of the following:

1. AUTHORITY FOR SOLICITATION OF INFORMATION.

- a. Recordkeeping for Registered Persons. Sections 4f, 4g and 4n of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 6f, 6g, 6n, and Commission Rules 1.12, 1.18, 1.31, 1.33, 1.34, 1.35, 1.37, 1.55, 3.12, 4.23, 4.33, 32.7 and 33.7, 17 C.F.R. §§ 1.12, 1.18, 1.31, 1.33, 1.34, 1.35, 1.37, 1.55, 3.12, 4.23, 4.33, 32.7, 33.7, require Registered Persons to keep records and reports of transactions and positions in commodities for future delivery on any board of trade in the United States or elsewhere. Registered Persons must also keep books and records pertaining to such transactions (including daily trading records, customer records, and information concerning volume of trading) in the form and manner and for such period of time required by the Commission. All such books and records must be made available for inspection by any representative of the Commission or the Department of Justice.
- b. Recordkeeping for Members of a Registered Entity. Commission Rules 1.31, 1.35 and 1.37, 17 C.F.R. §§ 1.31, 1.35, 1.37, require Members of a Registered Entity to keep records and reports of transactions and positions in commodities for future delivery and options on any board of trade in the United States or elsewhere, as well as cash commodities. Members of a Registered Entity must also keep books and records pertaining to such transactions (including daily trading records, customer records, and information concerning volume of trading) in the form and manner and for such period of time required by the Commission. All such books and records must be made available for inspection upon request by any representative of the Commission or the Department of Justice. Commission Rule 1.40, 17 C.F.R. § 1.40, requires each Member of a Registered Entity to furnish to the Commission certain reports concerning crop or market information or conditions that affect or tend to affect the price of any commodity.
- c. Recordkeeping for Large Traders. Section 4l of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 6l, and Commission Rules 1.31 and 18.05, 17 C.F.R. §§ 1.31, 18.05, require Large Traders to keep books and records showing, among other things, all details concerning all positions and transactions in the commodity, and in its products and by-products, whether executed through a contract for future delivery, an option contract or a cash contract, and whether such contract is executed through a board of trade, an exempt commercial market, an exempt board of trade, a foreign board of trade or an over-the-counter transaction. All such books and records, and pertinent information concerning the underlying positions, transactions or activities, must be made available for inspection in a form acceptable to the Commission upon request by any representative of the Commission.
- d. Investigations. Sections 6(c) and 8(a) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 9, 12(a), and Commission Rule 11.2, 17 C.F.R. § 11.2, authorize the Commission to conduct investigations. In the course of any investigation or proceeding, the Commission or an officer designated by the Commission may administer oaths and affirmations, subpoena witnesses, compel their attendance, take evidence, require production of documents, and secure voluntary statements or submissions.



- e. **Whistleblowers.** Section 23 of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 26, and Commission Rule 165, 17 C.F.R. § 165, authorize the Commission to obtain information from persons seeking to participate in the Commission's whistleblower program. Commission staff may request information from prospective whistleblowers to determine whether a tip or complaint relates to a violation of the Commodity Exchange Act, to further an investigation into any such violation, and/or to determine whether the person submitting the information is eligible to participate in the program. The Commission will not disclose information that could reasonably be expected to reveal the identity of a whistleblower, except under the circumstances described in Commission Rule 165.4, 17 C.F.R. § 165.4, and Section 23(h)(2) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 26(h)(2).
2. **PURPOSE OF SOLICITATION OF INFORMATION.** The Commission's principal purpose in soliciting information from you is to determine whether any person has violated, is violating, or is about to violate the Commodity Exchange Act or the rules and regulations thereunder. In certain circumstances, the Commission may be obtaining information at the behest of a foreign futures authority under Section 12(f) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 16(f).
  3. **EFFECT OF NOT SUPPLYING INFORMATION.**
    - a. **Persons Directed to Provide Testimony or Produce Documents Pursuant to Subpoena.** Disclosure of information to the Commission is mandatory, subject to the valid assertion of any legal right or privilege you might have. If you fail to comply with the subpoena, the Commission may seek a court order requiring you to do so. If the Commission obtains such an order and you thereafter fail to supply the information, you may be subject to civil and/or criminal sanctions for contempt.
    - b. **Persons Requested to Provide Information Voluntarily.** There are no direct effects or sanctions for failing to provide any or all of the requested information. If you do provide information, however, you should note the sanctions for false statements and documents described above.
    - c. **Registered Persons.** Disclosure of requested books or records is mandatory pursuant to the provisions listed in paragraph 1.a. above. Failure to submit or make available for inspection the requested information constitutes a violation of the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission Regulations and may result in any or all of the following under Sections 6(c), 6(d) or 6o of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. §§ 9, 13b, 13a-1, 15:
      - 1) Institution of an action by the Commission to enjoin such a violation or enforce compliance;
      - 2) Upon proper showing, granting of a temporary or permanent injunction or restraining order without bond;
      - 3) Upon application by the Commission, issuance of writs of mandamus or orders offering like relief commanding compliance with the Commodity Exchange Act;
      - 4) Imposition of a civil penalty of not more than the greater of \$140,000 or triple the monetary gain to the person for each violation;
      - 5) At the request of Commission, institution of an action by the Attorney General;



- 6) Prohibition of trading on, or subject to the rules of, a registered entity and require all registered entities to refuse the person all privileges;
  - 7) Suspension or revocation of registration with the Commission;
  - 8) Required payment of restitution to customers for damages proximately caused by violations;
  - 9) Entry of a cease and desist order;
  - 10) Imposition of a restraining order prohibiting you from destroying, altering or disposing of, or refusing to allow authorized representatives of the Commission to inspect, when and as requested, such books, records or other documents; and
  - 11) Imposition of a restraining order prohibiting you from withdrawing, transferring, removing, dissipating or disposing of any funds, assets or other property.
- d. Whistleblowers. Failure to provide information requested by Commission staff in relation to a whistleblower submission may affect your ability to receive a whistleblower award, or the potential amount of an award.

4. ROUTINE USES OF INFORMATION. The Commission often makes its files available to other governmental agencies, particularly United States Attorneys and state prosecutors. There is a likelihood that information supplied by you will be made available to such agencies where appropriate. Whether or not the Commission makes its files available to other governmental agencies is, in general, a confidential matter between the Commission and such other government agencies. Information which you provide may be used in the routine operation of the Commission, which includes law enforcement, review of legislative and regulatory proposals, regulation of the commodity futures markets, and review of reports and documents filed with the Commission.

Specific routine uses include the following:<sup>2</sup>

- a. Information may be used by the Commission in any administrative proceeding before the Commission, in any injunctive action authorized under the Commodity Exchange Act, or in any other action or proceeding in which the Commission or its staff participates as a party or the Commission participates as amicus curiae.
- b. Information may be disclosed to the Department of Justice, the Securities and Exchange Commission, the United States Postal Service, the Internal Revenue Service, the Department of Agriculture, the Office of Personnel Management, and to other Federal, state, local, territorial or tribal law enforcement or regulatory agencies for use in meeting their statutory and regulatory requirements.

<sup>2</sup> See CFTC compilation of System of Record Notices, including routine uses, at 76 Fed. Reg. 6974 (Feb. 2, 2011).



- c. Information may be given to any "registered entity," as defined in Section 1a(29) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 1a(29), if the Commission has reason to believe that such information will assist the registered entity in carrying out its responsibilities under the Act. Information may also be given to any registered futures association registered under Section 17 of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 21, (e.g., the National Futures Association) to assist it in carrying out its self-regulatory responsibilities under the Act, and to any national securities exchange or national securities association registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission to assist those organizations in carrying out their self-regulatory responsibilities under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, 15 U.S.C. § 78a et seq.
- d. At the discretion of the Commission staff, information may be given or shown to anyone during the course of a Commission investigation if the staff has reason to believe that the person to whom it is disclosed may have further information about the matters discussed therein, and those matters appear relevant to the subject of the investigation.
- e. Information may be included in a public report issued by the Commission following an investigation, to the extent that this is authorized under section 8 of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 12. Section 8 authorizes publication of such reports but contains restrictions on the publication of certain types of sensitive business information developed during an investigation. In certain contexts, some of this information might be considered personal in nature.
- f. Information may be disclosed to a Federal agency in response to its request in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, the issuance of a security clearance, the reporting of an investigation of an employee, the letting of a contract or the issuance of a license, or a grant or other benefit by the requesting agency, to the extent that the information may be relevant to the requesting agency's decision on the matter.
- g. Information may be disclosed to a prospective employer in response to its request in connection with the hiring or retention of an employee, to the extent that the information is believed to be relevant to the prospective employer's decision in the matter.
- h. Information may be disclosed to any person, pursuant to Section 12(a) of the Commodity Exchange Act, 7 U.S.C. § 16(a), when disclosure will further the policies of that Act or of other provisions of law. Section 12(a) authorizes the Commission to cooperate with various other government authorities or with "any person."
- i. Where information, either alone or in conjunction with other information indicates a violation or potential violation of law – criminal, civil or regulatory in nature – the relevant information may be disclosed to the appropriate Federal, state, local, territorial, tribal or foreign law enforcement authority or other appropriate entity charged with the responsibility for investigating or prosecuting such violation or charged with enforcing or implementing such law.
- j. Information may be disclosed to the General Services Administration, or the National Archives and Records Administration, for the purpose of records management inspections conducted under the authority of 44 U.S.C. §§ 2904 and 2906.
- k. Information may be disclosed to foreign law enforcement, investigatory or administrative authorities in order to comply with requirements set forth in international arrangements, such as memoranda of understanding.





- l. Information may be disclosed to contractors, grantees, volunteers, experts, students and others performing or working on a contract, service, grant, cooperative agreement or job for the Federal government when necessary to accomplish an agency function.
- m. Information may be disclosed to the Merit Systems Protection Board, including the Office of Special Counsel, for the purpose of litigation, including administrative proceedings, appeals, special studies of the civil service and other merit systems.
- n. Information may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or in a proceeding before a court, adjudicative body or other administrative body which the agency is authorized to appear, when:
  - I. the agency, or any component thereof; or
  - II. any employee of the agency in his or her official capacity; or
  - III. any employee of the agency in his or her official capacity where the Department of Justice or the agency has agreed to represent the employee; or
  - IV. the United States, when the agency determines that litigation is likely to affect the agency or any of its components;is a party to litigation or has an interest in such litigation, and the use of such records by the Department of Justice or the agency is deemed by the agency to be relevant and necessary to the litigation; provided, however, that in each case it has been determined that the disclosure is compatible with the purpose for which the records were collected.
- o. Information may be disclosed to a Member of Congress or staff acting upon the Member's behalf when the Member or staff requests the information on behalf of, or at the request of, the individual who is the subject of the record.
- p. Information related to any traders or the amount or quantity of any commodity purchased or sold by such traders may be disclosed to any committee of either House of Congress upon its request, acting within the scope of its jurisdiction, pursuant to the Commodity Exchange Act, including Section 8(e) of such Act, 7 U.S.C. § 12(e), and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.
- q. Information may be disclosed to another Federal agency, to a court or a party in litigation before a court or in an administrative proceeding being conducted by a Federal agency, when the Government is a party to the judicial or administrative proceeding.



r. Information may be disclosed to appropriate agencies, entities and individuals when:

- I. the Commission suspects or has confirmed that the security or confidentiality of information in the system of records has been compromised;
- II. the Commission has determined that as a result of the suspected or confirmed compromise there is a risk of harm to economic or property interests, identity theft or fraud, or harm to the security or integrity of this system or other systems or programs (whether maintained by the Commission or another agency or entity) that rely upon the compromised information; and
- III. the disclosure made to such agencies, entities, and individuals is reasonably necessary to assist in connection with the Commission's efforts to respond to the suspected or confirmed compromise and prevent, minimize or remedy such harm.

#### FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

The Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 ("FOIA"), and the Commission's rules pursuant thereto, 17 C.F.R. § 145, generally provide for disclosure of information to the public, unless information falls within a specified exemption. Commission Rule 145.9, 17 C.F.R. § 145.9, establishes the procedure by which you may request that certain sensitive information not be disclosed pursuant to a FOIA request.

#### INFORMAL PROCEDURE RELATING TO THE RECOMMENDATION OF ENFORCEMENT PROCEEDINGS

As a result of facts gathered in an investigation, the Division of Enforcement may decide to propose an enforcement action against one or more individuals. Under the Informal Procedure Relating to the Recommendation of Enforcement Proceedings,<sup>3</sup> the Division of Enforcement, in its discretion, may inform persons to be named in such actions of the nature of the allegations pertaining to them. The Division may also, in its discretion, advise such persons that they may submit a written statement before the consideration by the Commission of any staff recommendation for the commencement of the proceeding. Unless otherwise provided, such written statements must be submitted within 14 days after persons are informed by the Division of Enforcement of the nature of the allegations pertaining to them.

#### SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY AND ENFORCEMENT FAIRNESS ACT

Your comments are important. If you wish to comment on the enforcement or regulatory actions of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, please call the Small Business Liaison in the Office of General Counsel at (202) 418-5120. You may also wish to contact the Small Business and Agriculture Regulatory Enforcement Ombudsman, or one of the 10 Regional Fairness Boards, which were established by the Small Business Regulatory and Enforcement Fairness Act. The Ombudsman and Boards receive comments from small businesses about Federal agency enforcement actions. The Ombudsman will annually evaluate the enforcement activities and rate each agency's responsiveness to small business. If you wish to contact the Ombudsman to comment on the enforcement actions of the CFTC, please call 1-888-REG-FAIR (1-888-734-3247).

<sup>3</sup> The Informal Procedure has been adopted as Appendix A to Part 11 of the Commission's Regulations, 17 C.F.R. § 11, Appendix A. Appendix A more fully sets forth the substantive and procedural provisions of the Informal Procedure.





### TESTIMONY

The following information applies to individuals providing sworn testimony:

1. **RECORD.** Your testimony will be transcribed by a reporter. If at any time you wish to go off the record, please inform the Commission representative taking your testimony, and that representative will decide whether to grant your request. The reporter will go off the record only at the request of the Commission representative, and not at the direction of you or your counsel. The Commission representative may summarize all off-the-record discussions when you go back on the record.
2. **COUNSEL.** You may be accompanied, represented and advised by counsel. He or she must be an attorney-at-law admitted to practice before the highest court in any state or territory or the District of Columbia, who has not been suspended or disbarred from appearance and practice before the Commission. Your counsel may be present and may advise you before, during and after your testimony.<sup>4</sup>

Counsel may also question you briefly at the conclusion of your testimony to clarify any answers, and may make summary notes during your testimony. You may consult with your counsel at any time during the proceedings. If you want to consult privately with counsel, inform the Commission representative taking your testimony and necessary arrangements will be made.

If you are not accompanied by counsel and decide at any time during the proceeding that you wish to be accompanied, represented or advised by counsel, please so advise the Commission representative taking your testimony. The proceeding will then be adjourned to afford you the opportunity to make necessary arrangements.

The Commission may for good cause exclude a particular attorney from further participation in any investigation in which the Commission has found the attorney to have engaged in dilatory, obstructionist or contumacious conduct.

You may be represented by counsel who represents other persons involved in the Commission's investigation. This multiple representation, however, presents a potential conflict of interest if one client's interests are or may be adverse to another's. If you are represented by counsel who also represents other persons involved in the investigation, the Commission will assume that you and counsel have discussed and resolved all issues concerning possible conflicts of interest. The choice of counsel, and the responsibility for that choice, is yours.

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<sup>4</sup> No one other than your attorney and persons providing assistance to your attorney necessary to ensure representation of counsel are entitled to accompany, represent or advise you at the proceeding.



3. **PERJURY.** Any person making false statements under oath during a Commission investigation is subject to the criminal penalties for perjury in 18 U.S.C. § 1621, which provides, in relevant part, that:

Whoever ... having taken an oath before a competent tribunal, officer, or person, in any case in which a law of the United States authorizes an oath to be administered, that he will testify, declare, depose, or certify truly, ... willfully and contrary to such oath states or subscribes any material matter which he does not believe to be true ... is guilty of perjury and shall, except as otherwise expressly provided by law, be fined under [title 18] or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

4. **TRANSCRIPT AVAILABILITY.** Under Commission Rule 11.7(b), 17 C.F.R. § 11.7(b), any person compelled to submit testimony in the course of an investigatory proceeding is entitled, upon payment of appropriate fees, to procure a copy or transcript of his or her testimony. For good cause, however, a witness may be limited to review of the official copy of his or her testimony. The rights provided by this rule also apply to individuals testifying voluntarily.

To request written authorization to purchase a copy of the transcript of your testimony, send a written request to the Commission representative taking your testimony. Whether or not you wish to purchase a copy of the transcript, a copy will be available for your review at the Commission office most convenient to you. To arrange for such review, contact the Commission representative taking your testimony.

5. **FIFTH AMENDMENT.** Information you provide may be used against you in any Federal, state, local or foreign administrative, civil or criminal proceeding brought by the Commission or any other agency. In accordance with the rights guaranteed to you by the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, you may refuse to provide information that may tend to incriminate you or otherwise subject you to a fine, penalty or forfeiture, by invoking the Fifth Amendment. An adverse inference may be drawn in a civil or administrative proceeding from your refusal to testify.

6. **FAILING TO ANSWER QUESTIONS.**

- a. **Testimony Pursuant to Subpoena.** If testifying pursuant to a subpoena, your disclosure of information to the Commission is mandatory, subject to any legal right or privilege you may have. If you fail to provide requested information, the Commission may seek a court order requiring you to do so. If such an order is obtained, you may be subject to civil and/or criminal sanctions for contempt of court for any continued failure to supply the information.
- b. **Voluntary Testimony.** If your testimony is not pursuant to a subpoena, your appearance to testify is voluntary. Accordingly, you may leave the proceeding at any time, and you are not required to answer questions. There are no direct sanctions or effects for failing to supply all or part of the information requested by the Commission. If you do provide information, however, you should note the sanctions for false statements and documents described above.

7. **FORMAL ORDER AVAILABILITY.** If the Commission has issued a formal order of investigation, Commission Rule 11.7(a), 17 C.F.R. § 11.7(a), allows you to examine it at your request during your testimony. To obtain a copy of the formal order, however, you must submit a written request to the Commission representative taking your testimony and demonstrate that your retention of a copy of the formal order "would be consistent both with



the protection of privacy of persons involved in the investigation and with the unimpeded conduct of the investigation.<sup>6</sup> Commission Rule 11.7(a), 17 C.F.R. § 11.7(a).

8. **ALLOWABLE FEES AND EXPENSES.** The Commission is neither required nor authorized to pay fees and mileage to the witness upon service of a subpoena. 7 U.S.C. §§ 9, 16; 28 U.S.C. § 1825(c); 31 U.S.C. § 3324(b); 17 C.F.R. § 11.4. However, after giving testimony pursuant to a subpoena, the witness may request of the Commission, and the Commission will pay, the same fees and mileage that are paid to witnesses in the courts of the United States. 17 C.F.R. § 11.4(d). *See also* 28 U.S.C. § 1821.<sup>6</sup>
  - a. **Attendance Fees.** You are entitled to the prevailing Federal witness fee for each day's attendance, including time needed to travel to and from the location of the proceeding.
  - b. **Common Carrier Transportation.** If traveling by common carrier, you will be paid the actual expenses of transportation between your residence and the location of the proceeding, using the shortest practical route and the most economical rate reasonably available. To ensure the lowest rate, contact the Business Manager, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20581, for a prepaid travel ticket. Receipts must be submitted with all claims for transportation expenses. If you were supplied with a government-paid airline or train ticket, attach the receipt and/or stub to your claim.
  - c. **Rental Cars.** Reimbursement for the use of a rental car cannot be made unless authorized in advance by the Commission on a signed travel order. The Commission must determine whether use of a rental car is cost beneficial to the government.
  - d. **Travel by Privately Owned Vehicle (POV).** If traveling by POV, you are entitled to a mileage allowance based on a uniform table of distances at a rate established by the General Services Administration and published at 28 U.S.C. § 1821(c)(2). Travel by POV must be approved in writing by Commission staff as advantageous to the government.
  - e. **Miscellaneous Travel Expenses.** You are entitled to reimbursement for the following charges: toll charges on roads, bridges, tunnels and ferries; necessary taxicab fares between places of lodging and carrier terminals; and parking fees. You are not entitled to reimbursement for telephone expenses. Receipts must be submitted to obtain reimbursement for all permitted expenses.
  - f. **Subsistence Expenses.** You are entitled to reimbursement for subsistence expenses when the distance between the place of attendance and your residence precludes daily return travel. Subsistence allowances for witnesses are calculated and paid in the same manner as those paid to Federal employees. For information concerning the maximum daily allowance for reimbursement in your area, contact the Business Manager, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20581. Receipts must be submitted for lodging expenses and all individual expenditures.

<sup>6</sup> The exact amount of the prevailing attendance fee, mileage allowance, and subsistence allowance for Federal witnesses is published at 28 U.S.C. § 1821.



- g. Reimbursement. To receive reimbursement for allowable witness fees and expenses, you must complete and return a reimbursement claim form to the Commission within 60 days of the date of your appearance. The claim must include the departure time from your residence and the time you returned to your residence after presenting testimony. In order to receive reimbursement, all receipts specified above must be submitted with the claim. To obtain a reimbursement claim form, contact the Commission representative taking your testimony.

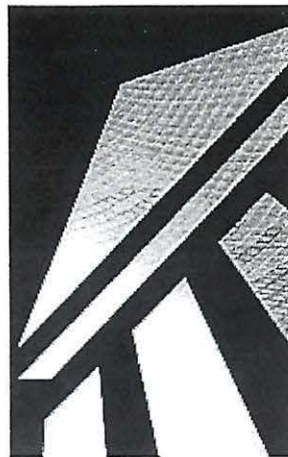
If you do not want to receive any reimbursement for fees and expenses, please:

- (1) print your name in Part I of the reimbursement claim (address is not necessary);
- (2) complete Part II, Line 7 with "0";
- (3) sign and date Line 9; and
- (4) return claim.

If you received a government-paid airline or train ticket, please attach the receipt or stub to the claim.

- h. Travel Order. In order to ensure that you will be reimbursed for your expenses, it is in your best interest to secure a signed copy of the travel order from the Business Manager, Division of Enforcement, Commodity Futures Trading Commission, Three Lafayette Centre, 1155 21st Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20581, prior to testifying, if feasible. The travel order specifies all expenses which have been authorized, including, for example, travel by POV or rental car.





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NewEdge USA LLC  
14-Jul-2011



International Derivatives Clearinghouse, LLC  
 150 East 52nd Street, 5th Floor  
 New York, New York 10022

Report Date: 7/14/2011  
 Trading Date: 7/14/2011

## Summary Report

Clearing Account: NewEdge USA LLC - [REDACTED]		
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	14-Jul-2011	13-Jul-2011
Collateral	\$6,612,322.75	\$6,612,322.75
Intra-Contract Margin Charge	\$-	\$-
Initial Margin	\$6,607,000.00	\$6,607,000.00
Daily Variation	\$(192,874.71)	\$458,030.10
Coupon	\$-	\$-
Close Out	\$-	\$-
MTM	\$(6,369,849.47)	\$(6,176,974.76)
Total IM Requirement:	\$6,607,000.00	\$6,607,000.00
Net Cash Movement:	\$(192,874.71)	\$458,030.10

NewEdge USA LLC

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## Top Day Trade Report

Clearing Account: [REDACTED]

- Top Day Trade Activity





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## Position Report

Clearing Account [REDACTED] - NewEdge USA LLC

### DRW02 - DRW Investments, LLC

EURODOLL - DRW Euro\$ (Account Alias: [REDACTED])

#### OPEN POSITIONS

Trade #	ExternalId	Series	EffDate	ExpDate	Side	Notional	Rate	DailyAccrInt	AccrInt	NPV	CouponDue	ClsTrd#
1974		IRD20120817	2010-08-17	2012-08-17	P	\$5,000,000	0.73000	\$65.21	\$12,805.69	\$27,873.38	\$-	
1980		IRD20120818	2010-08-18	2012-08-18	R	\$5,000,000	0.70750	\$(62.08)	\$(12,284.24)	\$(26,178.99)	\$-	
2018		IRD20110826	2010-08-26	2011-08-26	P	\$25,000,000	0.41000	\$107.64	\$30,045.14	\$34,380.93	\$-	
2095		IRD20200915	2010-09-15	2020-09-15	P	\$50,000,000	2.73400	\$3,454.17	\$441,920.83	\$(1,175,580.27)	\$-	
2103		IRD20400916	2010-09-16	2040-09-16	P	\$25,000,000	3.44000	\$2,218.58	\$277,120.14	\$(4,566,769.33)	\$-	
2127		IRD20400922	2010-09-22	2040-09-22	P	\$50,000,000	3.54200	\$4,577.08	\$543,445.83	\$(8,287,741.93)	\$-	
2134		IRD20400923	2010-09-23	2040-09-23	P	\$50,000,000	3.50100	\$4,521.53	\$532,577.08	\$(8,645,488.37)	\$-	
2142		IRD20200924	2010-09-24	2020-09-24	P	\$50,000,000	2.59400	\$3,261.81	\$389,486.11	\$(1,830,871.91)	\$-	
2170		IRD20200930	2010-09-30	2020-09-30	P	\$100,000,000	2.50000	\$6,261.81	\$712,665.28	\$(4,540,671.95)	\$-	

DRW Euro\$ Subtotal: Open NPV: \$(29,011,048.44) Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

DRW02 Subtotal: Open NPV: \$(29,011,048.44) Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

### FPR02 - FPCM Inflation-Linked Opp. Fund

BOOK1 - NEWED FPR Book1 (Account Alias: [REDACTED])

#### OPEN POSITIONS

Trade #	ExternalId	Series	EffDate	ExpDate	Side	Notional	Rate	DailyAccrInt	AccrInt	NPV	CouponDue	ClsTrd#
1872		IRD20160720	2010-07-20	2016-07-20	P	\$6,000,000	2.20000	\$321.00	\$59,918.33	\$157,839.38	\$-	
2017		IRD20110826	2010-08-26	2011-08-26	R	\$25,000,000	0.41000	\$(107.64)	\$(30,045.14)	\$(34,380.93)	\$-	

NEWED FPR Book1 Subtotal: Open NPV: \$123,458.46 Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

FPR02 Subtotal: Open NPV: \$123,458.46 Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

### JEF02 - Jefferies & Company, Inc.

BOOK1 - NEWED JEF Book1 (Account Alias: [REDACTED])

#### OPEN POSITIONS

Trade #	ExternalId	Series	EffDate	ExpDate	Side	Notional	Rate	DailyAccrInt	AccrInt	NPV	CouponDue	ClsTrd#
1871		IRD20160720	2010-07-20	2016-07-20	R	\$6,000,000	2.20000	\$(321.00)	\$(59,918.33)	\$(157,839.38)	\$-	
2094		IRD20200915	2010-09-15	2020-09-15	R	\$50,000,000	2.73400	\$(3,454.17)	\$(441,920.83)	\$1,175,580.27	\$-	

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Clearing Account [REDACTED] - NewEdge USA LLC

JEF02 - Jefferies &amp; Company, Inc.

BOOK1 - NEWED JEF Book1 (Account Alias: [REDACTED])

## OPEN POSITIONS

Trade #	ExternalId	Series	EffDate	ExpDate	Side	Notional	Rate	DailyAccrInt	AccrInt	NPV	CouponDue	ClsTrd#
2102		IRD20400916	2010-09-16	2040-09-16	R	\$25,000,000	3.44000	\$(2,218.58)	\$(277,120.14)	\$4,566,769.33	\$-	
2126		IRD20400922	2010-09-22	2040-09-22	R	\$50,000,000	3.54200	\$(4,577.08)	\$(543,445.83)	\$8,287,741.93	\$-	
2133		IRD20400923	2010-09-23	2040-09-23	R	\$50,000,000	3.50100	\$(4,521.53)	\$(532,577.08)	\$8,645,488.37	\$-	

NEWED JEF Book1 Subtotal: Open NPV: \$22,517,740.51 Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

JEF02 Subtotal: Open NPV: \$22,517,740.51 Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

IE\_NEWED\_CUSMAR Total: Open NPV: \$(6,369,849.47) Terminated NPV: Coupon Due: \$0.00

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## IDCH Curve

	<u>RATE</u>
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_1YR	0.434
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_18M	0.549
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_2YR	0.630
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_3YR	0.997
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_4YR	1.438
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_5YR	1.865
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_6YR	2.244
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_7YR	2.563
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_8YR	2.849
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_9YR	3.094
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_10YR	3.303
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_12YR	3.610
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_15YR	3.932
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_20YR	4.238
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_25YR	4.446
USD_3M_SWAP_FUT_30YR	4.613

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**Rules**  
**of**  
**International Derivatives Clearinghouse, LLC**  
**As of September 1, 2010**



**Position Accountability:** A person owning or controlling more than 3,000 contracts net long or net short in all contract maturities combined shall provide, in a timely fashion, upon request by the Participating Trading Facility, information regarding the nature of the position, trading strategy, and hedging information, if applicable.

**Large Trader Reporting:** Pursuant to Commission Regulation Section 15.03 and Part 17 of the Commission's Regulation, the position level that is required to be reported to the Participating Trading Facility and Commission is any open position in a particular IDEX USD 1 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract at the close of trading on any trading day equal to or in excess of twenty-five on either side of the market.

**Designated Contract Market:** The NASDAQ OMX Futures Exchange (NFX).

#### **Rule 1002.IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract**

(a) Description.

**Underlying.** IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts are futures on United States dollar-denominated interest rate swaps with a notional value of \$100,000, requiring the exchange of periodic payments of semi-annual fixed rate payments based on the futures price in exchange for quarterly floating-rate payments based on the 3-month US Dollar London Interbank Offered Rate (the "USD LIBOR").

**Payment Schedule.** Periodic payments on the IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract will be made on a quarterly basis for the floating rate payments, and on a semi-annual basis for the fixed rate payments. Each payment date in the IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract will be defined by the Effective Date, the Maturity Date, and the payment frequency of the fixed or floating side as appropriate, adjusted by the Modified Following Business Day convention for New York and London.

The Effective Date (start of first accrual period) shall be 2 Week Days after the execution date of any individual IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract, adjusted by the Following Business Day convention for New York.

The Maturity Date shall be the final payment date unadjusted by any Business Day convention of the IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract and shall be established by the Participating Trading Facility on the listing date.

The Reset Date shall be 2 London Business Days preceding the start of the floating interest accrual period. The only exception to this is the first floating interest accrual period where the Reset Date will be the execution date unless this is not a good London Business Day in which case the Reset Date will be the first good London Business Day preceding the listing date.

The Start Date of the nth interest accrual period is the Effective Date for the series plus (n-1)\* payment frequency of the fixed or floating side as appropriate, adjusted by the Modified Following Business Day convention for New York and London.

The End Date of the nth interest accrual period is the Effective Date for the series plus n\* payment frequency of the fixed or floating side as appropriate, adjusted by the Modified Following business day convention for New York and London.

The Interest Payment Date of the nth interest period is the End Date of the same interest accrual period.

For purposes of this rule, the following conventions determine how non-business days are treated:

- (i) "Following" means the date will be adjusted to be the first following day that is a Business Day in the locations listed;
- (ii) "Modified Following" means the date will be adjusted to be the first following day that is a Business Day in the locations listed unless that day falls in the next calendar month, in which case that date will be the first preceding day that is a Business Day in the locations listed;
- (iii) "Preceding" means the date will be adjusted to the first preceding day that is a Business Day in the locations listed;
- (iv) "Business Day" means a day in which the banking system is open to settle payments in the locations listed; and
- (v) "Week Day" means any calendar day which is not a Saturday or Sunday

*Floating Rate Payment.* The floating rate payment for a given accrual period shall be an amount equal to the Notional Value multiplied by the USD LIBOR setting multiplied by the actual number of days in the accrual period, divided by 360.

*Fixed Rate Payment.* The fixed rate payment for a given accrual period shall be equal to the notional value multiplied by the fixed rate multiplied by the number of days in the interest period in respect of which payment is being made divided by 360, calculated on a formula basis as follows;

$$\{[360 \times (Y2-Y1)] + [30 \times (M2-M1)] + (D2-D1)\}/360$$

Where:

Y1 is the year, expressed as a number, in which the start date of the interest period falls

Y2 is the year, expressed as a number, in which the end date of the interest period falls

M1 is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the start date of the interest period falls

M2 is the calendar month, expressed as a number, in which the end date of the interest period falls

D1 is the first calendar day expressed as a number, of the interest period, unless such a number would be 31, in which case D1 will be 30.

D2 is the last calendar day, expressed as a number, of the interest period, unless such a number would be 31 and D1 is greater than 29, in which case D2 will be 30.

(b) *Schedule.* The Participating Trading Facility at any given time may list for trading IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts having maturities from one day to thirty years (with one year comprising 365 days, or 366 days for leap years), with one maturity of IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract maturing on every calendar day. The maturity of each individual IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract shall be established by the Participating Trading Facility on the date each such contract is listed by the Participating Trading Facility.

(c) *Minimum Increments.* The price of the IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract is the price of the fixed leg portion of the swap. Minimum price intervals are expressed in terms of the interest rate on the fixed rate portion of the IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts. The minimum price interval is .001 for Contracts traded on the IDEX XT trading system and .00001 for Contracts established by means of EFS through the SwapDrop Portal.

(d) *Last Trading Day.* Trading of any individual IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract terminates at the close of trading on the Business Day preceding that contract's Maturity Date. For purposes of this rule, a Business Day is any day on which the Participating Trading Facility is open for the trading of IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts.

(e) *Contract Modifications.* Specifications are fixed as of the first day of trading of a contract. If any U.S. government agency or body with authority issues an order, ruling, directive or law that conflicts with the requirements of these rules, such order, ruling, directive or law shall be construed to take precedence and become part of these rules, and all open and new contracts shall be subject to such government orders.

(f) *No-Break Range.* Pursuant to Rule F26 of the Participating Trading Facility, The "No Break Range" for any Contract shall be any price within a range bounded by the "fair market value" of such Contract at the time the transaction occurred plus or minus the market movement covered by one-third of the initial margin required for such Contract. For these purposes fair market value shall be determined by the Participating Trading Facility based on trading activity in the contract at the time of the dispute or by surveying at least three market participants not involved in the transaction in question.

(g) *Reportable Position.* Pursuant to Commission Regulation Section 15.03 and Part 17 of the Commission's Regulation, the position level that is required to be reported to the Participating Trading Facility and Commission is any open position in a particular IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract at the close of trading on any trading day equal to or in excess of twenty-five on either side of the market.

(h) *Position Accountability.* A person owning or controlling more than 3,000 contracts net long or net short in all contract maturities combined shall provide, in a timely fashion, upon request by the Participating Trading Facility, information regarding the nature of the position, trading strategy, and hedging information, if applicable.

(i) *Daily Settlement Price.* Each open position is valued by the Clearinghouse at the end of each trading day by valuing each leg of the cash flows of the contract (fixed and floating) according to discount factors generated by the IDEX Curve. Each Trading Day, the Daily Settlement Price shall be established by the Clearinghouse based upon the IDEX Curve that corresponds to the fixed rate portion of the swap. A net present value of the position will be determined and set as the Daily Settlement Price. Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, the Clearinghouse may, in its sole discretion, establish a Daily Settlement Price that is a fair and appropriate reflection of the market. The Final Settlement Price shall be the Daily Settlement Price on the Last Trading Day.

(j) *Final Settlement Date.* The Final Settlement Date shall be the Final Payment Date of each individual IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract. Clearing Members holding open positions in a IDEX USD 3 Month Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract at the termination of trading in that Contract shall make payment to or receive payment from the Clearinghouse in accordance with normal variation and performance bond procedures based on the net of the Fixed and Floating Rate Interest payment of the last interest accrual period.

#### **Rule 1003.IDEX USD 1 Month Forward Start Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts**

**Description:** IDEX USD 1 Month Forward Start Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts are futures on United States dollar-denominated interest rate swaps with a notional value of \$100,000 and a deferred Effective Date, requiring the exchange of periodic payments of semi-annual fixed rate payments based on the futures price in exchange for quarterly floating-rate payments based on the 1-month US Dollar London Interbank Offered Rate (the “USD LIBOR”).

**Ticker Symbols:** Base Example = 1FSYYYYMMDDYNN. YYYYYMMDD refers to the unadjusted Maturity Date of the series and YNN refers to contract duration in years.

**Contract Listings:** The Participating Trading Facility at any given time may list for trading IDEX USD 1 Month Forward Start Interest Rate Swap Futures Contracts having terms from one to twenty nine years and a Maturity Date no longer than thirty years (with one year comprising 365 days, or 366 days for leap years), with one maturity of the IDEX USD 1 Month Forward Start Swap Futures Contract maturing on every calendar day. The Effective Date and Maturity Date of each individual IDEX USD 1 Month Forward Start Interest Rate Swap Futures Contract shall be established by the Participating Trading Facility on the date each such contract is listed by the Participating Trading Facility. The Participating Trading Facility shall make known the listing of any contract on its website prior to the commencement of trading.

**Trading Hours:** 7:00 AM to 5:00 PM Eastern Time (“ET”) Monday – Friday



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We need to make a concerted effort to get these initiatives fully functional now. This is the beginning of what we have been talking about for years, but we need to get it right!!

I have asked Kevin Kroeger to help with overall coordination. Cleared swap priorities:

#1 priority is to agree on the daily settlement framework and off-market swap trading framework for Eris's existing contract spec. Goal is to have this agreed to and DOCUMENTED by Monday morning. Dave Boberski and Neal to take the lead, working with Yuhua, who is responsible for theoretical accuracy, Sam for back-office logic, Barry and Joe Meissner and Brian Vander for practitioner's view. Kevin to help coordinate as needed. I will also be checking in. This includes ensuring we are comfortable with the derivation of the convexity biased curve, and our internal procedures for generating the curve.

#2 is to do an eris test trade as soon as newedge will let us. Vander and Sam are in charge of this.

DRW only: #3 priority is to finish the alternative contract specs. This is lead by Yuhua and Jeff Levoff. The others do not need to be involved in this. Goal is to file by a week from today. I will be available to help.

DRW only: #4 priority is to really understand idcg. Confirm the contract has full convexity bias (despite the fact they will force it to settle at non-convexity biased prices). Do a one-lot test trade next week etc. Vander is in charge of this, working with yuhua, barry, kevin.

#5 priority is to do a convexity bias writeup for the eris contract highlighting the issue and extent of it by the 6th of august. I am open to suggestions on who takes the lead on this.

I will try to be available, especially to help get #1 right by Monday.



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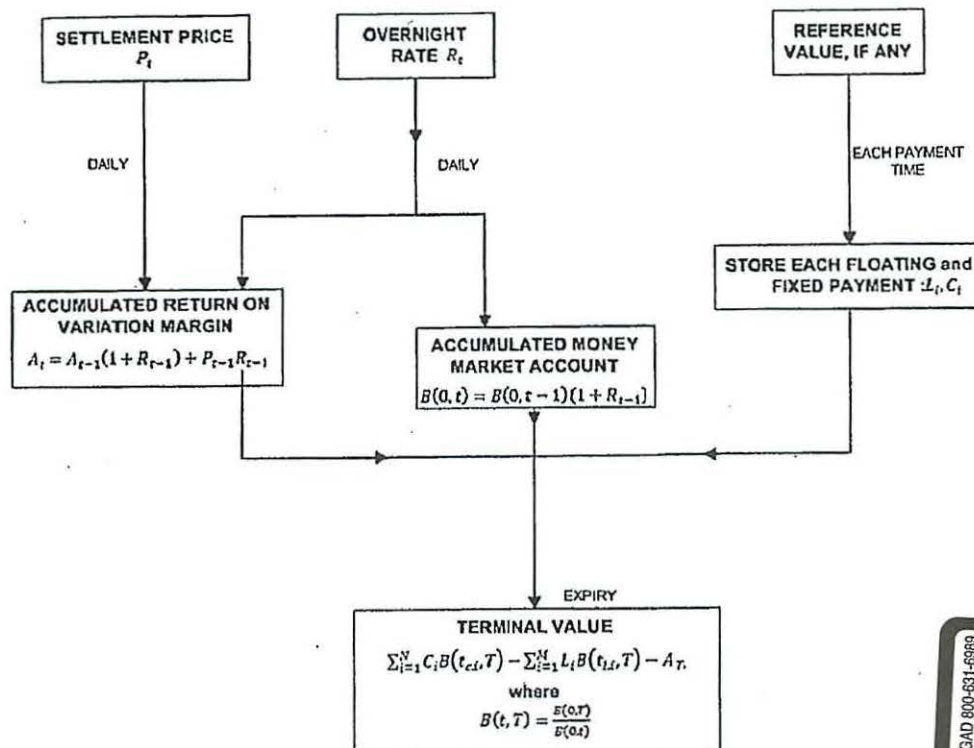
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FINANCIAL INSTRUMENT AND METHOD  
OF CLEARING AND SETTLING**

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In accordance with the principles of the present invention, a non-biased, centrally-cleared financial instrument, and method of electronic clearing and settling such a financial instrument is provided. The non-biased, centrally-cleared financial instrument of the present invention is to be centrally cleared and can be traded or transacted either on or off an exchange or trading platform, whether traded as a future or other type of financial instrument. The non-biased, centrally-cleared financial instrument of the present invention has a terminal value such that the terminal value offsets co-movement of variation margin and investment return on the variation margin during the life of the financial instrument.



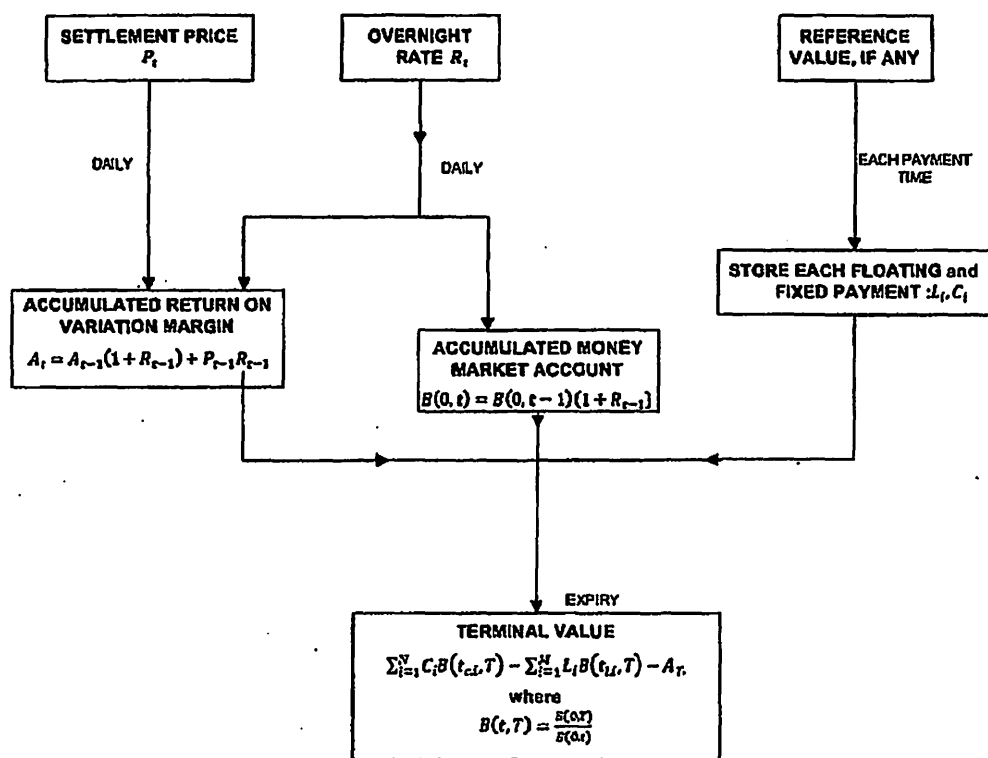


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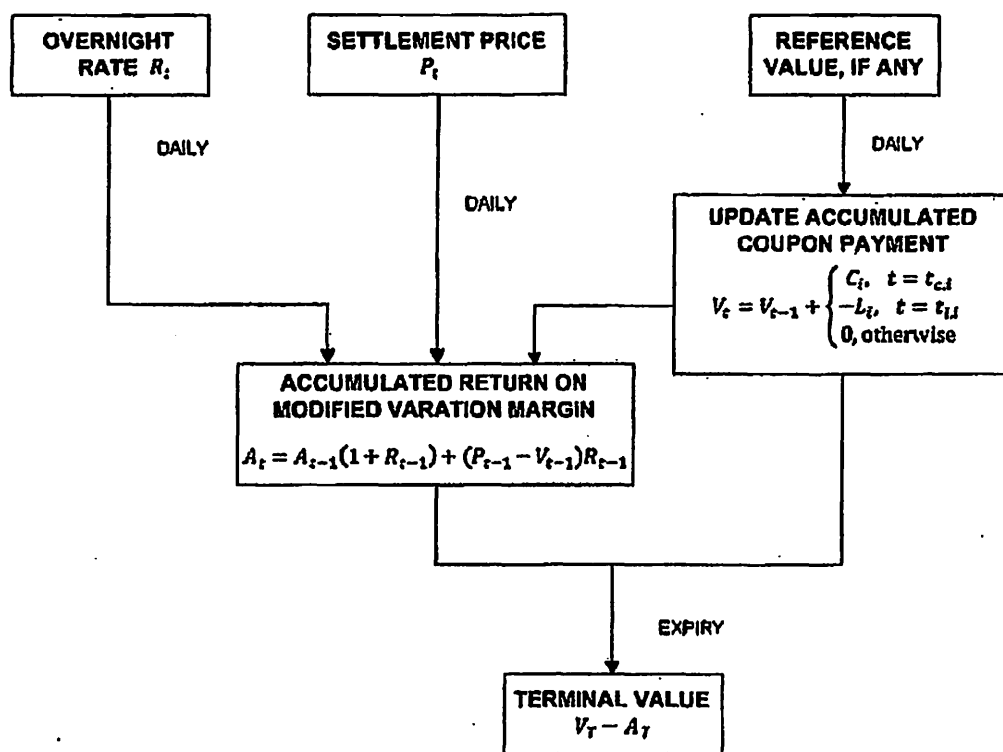


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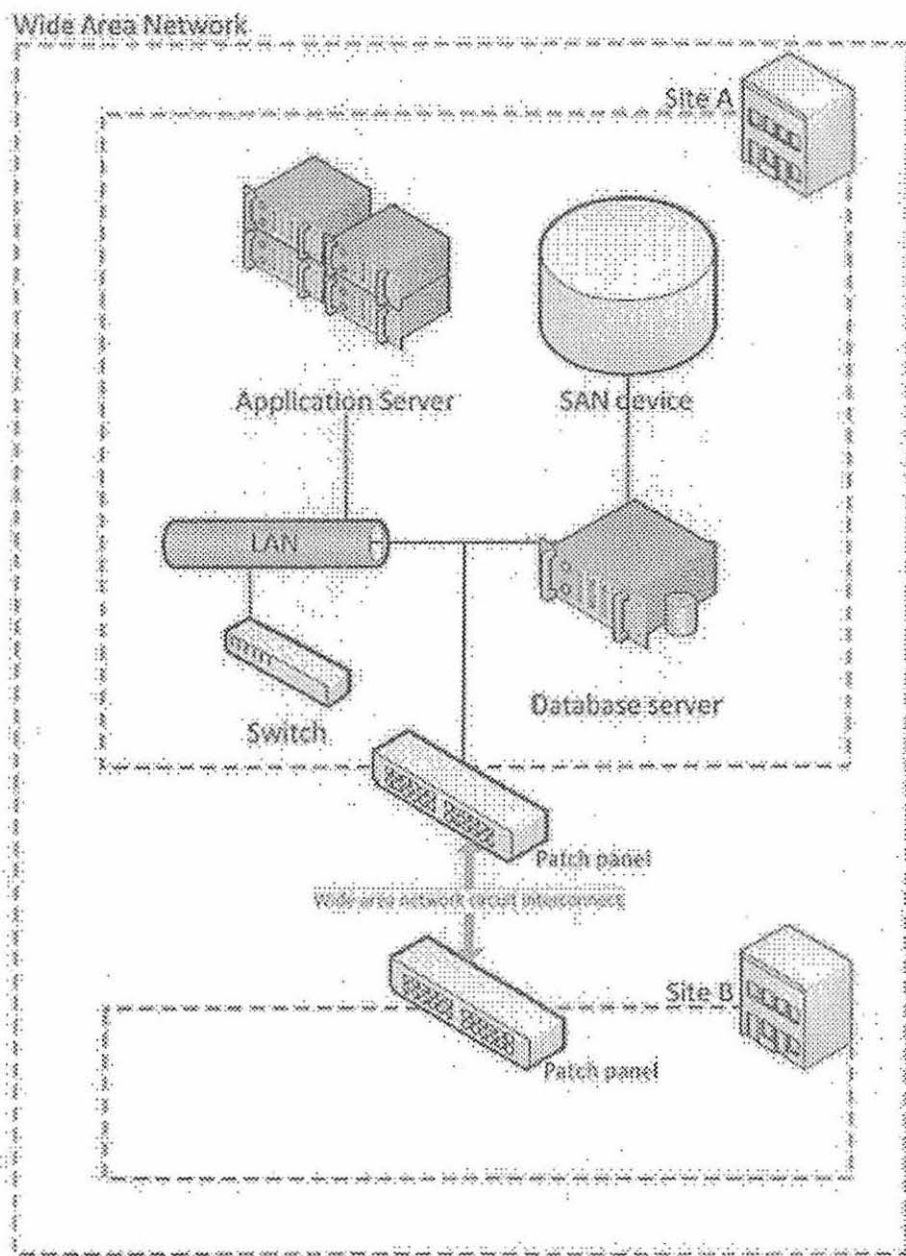


Figure 3